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**Tests Set** 

On Debris

From Jet

Suspect Suitcase

Is Flown to Lab

As Inquiry Shifts

By Craig R. Whitney
New York Times Service

found a suitcase and several pieces

of wreckage at the site of the Pan

American World Airways crash last week that could show whether a bomb blew the plane apart and

have flown them to an army ord-

nance laboratory to be checked for

traces of explosives, officials said

Monday. Penny Russell-Smith, a spokes-

woman for the Department of

Transport, said Monday in Locker-

bie, Scotland, that the suitcase had

oot been selected at random. "This

particular suitcase and the pieces of

wreckage exhibited certain charac-

teristics that merited further exami-

She gave no further details about

the condition of the suitcase. Pan

Am said the suitcase had been checked ooto the plane in London. Michael Charles, who is beading the investigation by Britain's De-

partment of Transport into the

tragedy Wednesday, said the frag-

ments were being taken to the Roy-al Armament Research and Devel-opment Establishment in Fort

Halstead, south of London, "to de-termine whether they exhibit evi-

dence of a pre-impact explosion."

search into the causes of explo-

sions. Scientists there will be as-

signed to seek residue from

explosive material or other evi-

dence, such as metal twisted in cer-

tain ways, indicating whether a bomb went off before the aircraft

The crash killed all 258 people aboard the 747 jumbo jet and prob-

The statements were the closest

that the British authorities have come to saying that they might have a lead in the investigation of the crash, though Mr. Charles still

did not rule out the possibility that

structural failure, rather than an

explosion, had caused the plane to

disintegrate.
But, while last week the authori-

ties were saying that they had found no evidence of a bomb, Mr.

vay —that no evidence of structure

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ably 11 others on the ground.

The facility is known for re-

nation," she said.

LONDON — investigators have

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## Vikings Beat Rams, 28-17

Joey Browner's two first-quarter interceptions set up two touchdowns 21 seconds apart that sent the Minneso-ta Vikings on their way to a 28-17 victory over the Los Angeles Rams on Monday and into the quarterfinals of the NFL's Super Bowl der-by. The Vikings now play San Francisco. Page 9.



# U.S.-EC Showdown Is Nearing

By Barry James

PARIS — The posturing is over: A trade battle between the United States and the European Commu-

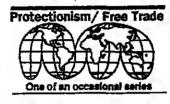
mity is less than a week away. On Jan. 1, the EC will start turning back shipments of U.S. meat containing hormones, calling the products potentially harmful to hu-man health. The next day, the Unit-ed States will ban an equivalent amount of European agricultural products. The EC threatens to retaliate immediately with a further ban against U.S. products.

Referring to the 1987 "pasta war" and other disagreements, Nico Wegter, a spokesman on agri-cultural trade matters for the EC, said: "We have had similar disputes in the past, but eventually we could always find a solution at the last minute. This time, I don't see how a settlement can be found before Jan. 1."

Alfred H. Kingon, the U.S. representative to the EC in Brussels, said: "There is an important principle here that is being tested. The principle is whether any country, the United States included, has the right under the rules of the General the \$166 billion in trade that Agreement on Tariffs and Trade to flowed between the United States use the health rubric to take an and the EC last year.

tific evidence."

The United States has proposed taking the issue to a trade and tariff panel on standards, which the EC has turned down. The EC says the hormone ban is nondiscriminatory



because it applies to European and imported products alike. It appealed to the trade and tariff group last week, protesting the proposed U.S. countermeasures on legal

grounds, but got nowhere.

Officials on both sides express surprise that such a big argument has blown up over such a relatively unimportant trade sector. The United States exports to the EC little more than \$100 million worth of meat for human consumption mostly prime steaks, and liver intended for pate manufacturers.

mones began with reports in 1980 that Italian infants who had eaten baby food containing hormone-treated veal were developing

Pressure from consumer organi-zations and the European Parlia-ment has caused the uniform imposition throughout the 12-nation community of laws banning hormone additives for all but therapeutic purposes. The United States was given a year to comply, but according to Mr. Wegter, The Americans have been telling us since last year that they won't."

The United States still allows the sale of meat containing natural hormones, but, said Mr. Kingon: "I am couvinced that our health standards are as safe as anyone's. Not only are we the most healthconscious people in the world, we are crazy about health sometimes."

Hormones are often used to increase an animal's growth, which enables producers to raise fatter livestock for less money. Mr. Wegter said this would give American farmers an unfair competitive edge on European producers.

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#### This represents a small fraction of Some people say the United

ment provided the tone and ratio-

that would soon lead Washington

nale for an anti-Co

By Julia Preston

Washington Post Service-SAN SALVADOR - In Janis-

One month after Mr. Reagan be-

## Kiosk

# 2 French Girls

BEIRUT (UPI) — A Pales-tinian extremist group was said Monday to have freed two French girls, their mother and five Belgians held hostage, but family lawyers said the girls'

Hours after the father of Marie-Laure Betille, 7, and Virginie Betille, 6, left Lebanon Monday, the Palestinians holding the girls reportedly said they had been released



Thomas R. Pickering, ambassador to Israel, said the United States "would welcome" a wider Middle East peace initiative. Page 5.

## General News

Despite predictions of tension relations between George Bush and Congress appear to

As the Polish economy staggers, a government accord with the Solidarity trade union becomes more likely. Page 3.

## Business/Finance

Japanese curbs on car exports to the United States may be lifted soon.

## **Latin Rebels Discover Their Limits** came president, the State Depart- to form an army of Nicaraguan

ary 1981, 10 days before President government in Nicaragua, then 19 Ronald Reagan was inaugurated, guerrillas launched attacks across El Salvador, boasting that they would seize power by the time Mr. Reagan took office.

Eight years later, with the Reagan presidency in its closing weeks it is evident that the rebels "final offensive" was no more than one of the earliest campaigns. Today, El Salvador's 6,000 guerrillas are still camped in the mountains, waging a stalemated war of attrition with the U.S.-backed Salvadoran Army that has cost 65,000 lives. Most of the victims have been civilians.

# Reported Free

whereabouts were unclear.

and were en route to Paris.



towering, moss-encrusted trees to a pale jade. have come for a brief encounter.

here expect a 20 percent increase in visitors next year, to about 8,500.

This is almost to the capacity that the gorillas and their environment are calculated to withstand. The vogue of the gorillas is bringing added

ment issued a "White Paper" with rebels, known as contras, to oust evidence that the leftist Sandinista the Sandinistas.

government in Nicaragua, then 19
months old, was belong to transfer tras, their ammunition clips empty arms from the Soviet bloc to the and their rifles rusting are lan-Salvadoran guerrillas. The docuras. The Sandinistas remain in control in Managna, but nearly 30,000

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SNOWSTORM HITS ARMENIA -- Two children try to warm up over a fire amid the debris of

the earthquake in Leninakan as a heavy snowstorm blocked roads into the area Monday. The

heating plants that produce steam for the radiators of the city were destroyed in the earthquake.

# The Lost Pride of Japan's Middle Class

Present Conditions Are Shaking the Consensus of Traditional Society

By Susan Chira

New York Times Service

TOKYO — From the window of an anonymous apartment building in the eastern suburb of Funabashi, the Japan of Mercedes-

Benzes and \$38 million Picassos seems far away.

In Funabashi, a 44-year-old bousewife lives with her husband and her three children in a three-bedroom apartment of 517 square feet (48.02 square meters). Her husband works in Tokyo for a construction company, and they spend most of their discretionary income on the children's education.

the children's education.

For years, Japanese prided themselves on all belonging to one great middle class. But now, according to a series of recent government reports, this article of faith—and perhaps the social cohesion and willingness to sacrifice that it engendered—is eroding.

The reports conclude that just as the nation is emerging as an

economic superpower, more Japanese see gulfs between the rich and everyone else, and most believe their standard of living does not reflect Japan's affluence.

That gulf may widen because of the tax overhaul passed Saturday, which cut income taxes while imposing a 3 percent sales tax. Critics say the overhaul benefits wealthy families disproportionately and hurts low-income Japanese because the sales tax will raise prices on daily necessities.

The great divide in Japan, the government reports agree, is between those who own homes and those who do not. Because land prices have soared in recent years, people who own or inherited land are well off (at least on paper); people who do not are shut out.

High land prices also mean that those who do buy homes are burdened with such hige debts that they cannot spend money on

The 1988 White Paper on National Life, issued recently, also noted gaps between those who own stock, and thus cashed in on the Tokyo market's record-setting highs, and those who do not; and between consumers who can indulge in the new boom for luxury goods and those who cannot.

The housewife in Funabashi belongs to the other Tokyo, the one beyond the gleaming downtown neighborhoods of expensive bou-tiques, cruising Jaguars and well-dressed women wearing diamond necklaces. This other Tokyo boasts vistas of identical apartment blocks, blue-suited men who disappear into crowded commuter trains and doze on the way to work, women who pull on everyday clothes and wear little jewelry apart from wedding rings.

"When I hear about all these luxury apartments, I feel like it is happening in a different world where I do not belong," said the Funabashi housewife, who like many others is not sharing the new affluence but is reluctant to admit it.

"But when I actually beard that one of my neighbors who built a gorgeous house that cost hundreds of millions of yen could do that ause they owned a small plot in central Tokyo, I felt upset, felt something is wrong with this society."

It is this growing sense of unfairness that worried the government lanners who drew up the white paper as well as a report on Japan's See JAPAN, Page 2



Charles's statement put it the other Standing near the cockpit of the jet that crashed in Scotland, searchers received instructions Monday as the hant for bodies continued.

# Chinese Clash With Africans in Nanjing

By Nicholas D. Kristof New York Times Service

BELIING - Thousands of Chinese workers and students marched through the eastern Chinese city of Nanjing on Mooday, shouting racist slogans after two days of clashes with African students in the city.

The demonstrations, which included a sit-in Monday by several thousand people in froot of the provincial headquarters, appeared foreigners and Chinese, Westerners to be the most significant sign of in Nanjing said, but mostly they unrest in China since student democratic foreigners and Chinese, Westerners in Nanjing said, but mostly they chanted slogans like "Down with unrest in China since student demonstrations were quashed by the government nearly two years ago. The weekend's clashes, in which

blacks!" and "Black devils!" blacks." said James A. Anderson, and dark-complexioned Asian stu-

mobs of Chinese attacked the Afri- a 25-year-old American student at dents had fled after their dormitothe Hopkins Nanjing Center for ries were attacked. can students' dormitories and destroyed their possessions, also were Chinese and American Studies, a the worst examples so far of the racial tensions between Chinese and Africans that contradict Chi-

na's professed Third World cama-Some of demonstrators called several thousand demonstrators pounded oo the gates of their instifor more democracy and for equal treatment under the law for both were inside. When institute officials told the

crowd that there were no blacks there, the mob left for the train "Their artitude was just, 'Get the station, to which some 140 African

While China has emphasized its

joint program with Johns Hopkins relations with other developing nations, and has given scholarships to many African students, the Afri-In telephone conversations, Mr. cans frequently complain of rac-ism, and several disputes have bro-Anderson and other students described their fright when a mob of ken out over the years.

Many Chinese students appartute after being told that blacks ently resent the benefits that African students enjoy as foreigners, such as larger scholarships and better housing. African students have rooms to themselves, for example, while Chinese at Hehai University,

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# On East German Line, a Usual Soldiers' Holiday

Washington Post Service
OBSERVATION POST INDIA.

mas tree in the mess hall is the only tanks. If they ever invaded, it reminder of the season for the 66 would likely be right here—in the soldiers at this U.S. Army outpost on the front line of what is left of the Cold War.

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Outside, the clouds hang low and a steady drizzle falls on an observation tower, blue metal barracks and Squadron, 11th Armored Cavalry pride, "Somebody's got to do it."

a rank shed perched high oo a Regiment watch the border around wooded bluff. The jagged black the clock, and Christmas was pretty

Somewhere not far beyond the transportation. Everybody here West Germany - A small Christ- fence are Soviet and East German would rather be home for the holi-

But as the soldiers say over and pride, "Somebody's got to do it." They feel privileged to stand guard in the face of an enemy. They enjoy line that cuts across the valley be-much like any other working day, the excitement of driving 60-ton low is "the fence," covered with The dreary surroundings, isola-tanks. They feel a sense of accomelectronic sensors and built by East tion and monotonous work take a plishment when they radio back a

By Robert J. McCartney

Washington Post Service

Germany to keep East Germans on toll on morale. There are gripes report each time they see a Soviet about the lack of housing and helicopter patrolling on the other

Their friends back home, they

ever before that the tanks on the other side will come their way. President Mikhail S. Gorbachev of the Soviet Union has announced that be will remove six armored divisions from the Warsaw Pact's front lines in Eastern Europe and

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# In Rwanda's Mists, Tourism Brings Danger — and Hope — to Gorillas

famous inhabitants.

By Jane Perlez

New York Times Service KINIGI, Rwanda — On a steep incline 9,000 feet up in the Virunga Mountains, four tourists cling with hands and feet to a dense bed of cettles, vines and ferns, slowly nudging their bodies to-ward more than a score of gorillas just a few yards

Wads of deep gray cloud muffle the mountain peak, bruise the sky and mute the green of the But distinctly clear are the black shapes moving ahead, distant relatives of the four humans who

The tourist aothorities at the mountain base

dangers to their already endangered existence.

In the first half of this year, five of the oearly 150 gorillas that have now become accustomed to human beings in the mountains here died of respiratory disease and another of measles, a disease that scientists believe could have been introduced by a tourist.

So far, the scientists say they don't know if isease has affected the other 150 gorillas still in their wild state.

Next year, they will take a census to find out. The popularity of the gorillas was unwittingly started by the conservationist Dian Fossey, who is the other hero of the film "Gorillas in the Mist," which memorialized and glamorized the rare pri-

Officials of the African Wildlife Foundation,

who for the last decade have encouraged con-

trolled tourism as a way of preserving the gorillas,

say the success of the movie brings new pressure

on the impoverished Rwandan government to reap

as a way of saving the gorillas but also of potentially harming them is coming under increasing strain. Deep down inside, I would prefer to leave them

as much of a bonanza as possible out of their

Thus, the fine line between tourism being used

These compromises will ensure their survival into the 21st century.

alone and not have tourists," said Craig R. Sholley, the director of the Mountain Gorilla Project, which together with the Rwandan government,

oversees tourism here. But conservation today is a world of compromise so we're making compromises that will insure the survival of the gorillas into the 21st century."

This means, he said, tourists, but not too many, and enforcing what is known as "gorilla etiquette." Under these rules, humans — despite the arm-tea. in-arm movie shots of Sigourney Weaver with gorillas — are forbidden to get closer than 15 feet. This is a way of preventing airborne disease, Mr.

A maximum of six tourists at any one time are allowed to view one of the four gorilla families visited by humans.

They are allowed to stay with the primates only On balance, Mr. Sholley, whose project is funded in part by the African Wildlife Foundation, has

little doubt that tourism, in check, is to the advantage of the gorillas. Without the revenue that the tourists bring to this overpopulated country in the heart of Africa, the mountain forest that is the gorillas' habitat would almost certainly be denuded by the never-

ceasing quest for agricultural land, he said.

Tourism has now become Rwanda's secondlargest foreign-exchange earner, after coffee and

Another protection the tourists provide is a deterrent against poachers.

With up to 24 visitors, divided into four groups -each group advanced by a Rwandan guide and

a guard — trudging through the forest each day, poachers are fearful of being discovered. This year, however, one gorilla died after being caught in a poacher's snare.

Largely due to the understanding of the Rwandan president, Major General Juvenal Habyari-mana, an enthusiast of gorilla conservation, pro-posals to lift the limits on the number of visitors who each pay \$180, have been thwarted.

Perhaps the most effective safety valve on damaging tourist pressure may be the nature of the rough-and-numble expeditions often necessary to reach the animals.

# Namibia's Whites Look Ahead

They Appear Calm at Prospect of Black-Majority Rule

By John D. Battersby New York Times Service

SWAKOPMUND, South-West Africa — The white inhabitants of South-West Africa who are spending the holidays in this coastal resort display little of the fear and panic that the prospect of blackmajority rule evoked in them a de-

"We will have to live with it and make the best of it," Andries Aztret, the chief official of Swakopmund's town council, said when asked about the likelihood of black nationalists winning independence elections set for next year.

Although his views did not reflect those of the territory's more recalcitrant whites, they underscored changing white attitudes after 10 years of internal changes in race relations and a campaign by mibia, for independence and a sharing of power among races.

People have been living with the talk of independence for so long that it has become a part of the way of life," Peter Kittler, a Namibian of German origin who owns a beachfront store here, said. Blacks and whites mingled freely

on the main beach on the chilly waters of the Atlantic Ocean. A huge waterslide discharged white, black and brown children in a torrent of water.

The prospect of a black-majority government in Namibia came a step closer with the signing of a peace accord in New York last week after six months of U.S.withdrew from Augola. sponsored negotiations among representatives of Cuba, Angola and

and uncertainty.

force will oversee a seven-mont

The whites' position of privilege

Whites still control the wealth

and prosperity has barely been af-

and enjoy a lifestyle matched in few

places. Fine hotels serve excellen

German cuisine to a mainly white

The relaxed racial atmosphere in

this quaint town, a place of Ger-man colonial buildings, reflects the progress made toward scrapping

Apartheid laws such as enforced

residential segregation have been abolished, and the interim adminis-

tration is made up of a majority of

preparing people for a black gov-ernment," Dirk Mudge, an Afrika-ner who heads the black-majority

transitional administration, said.

"We have done a lot of work

"If independence had been put

into effect 10 years ago it would have been a disaster," he said.

"People are more used to the idea

reported in the white paper that about three-quarters of the people

polled felt that disparities caused

than half of those polled felt that

to hard work and sacrifice.

Such a possibility seems remote,

because Japan's income distribu-

tion remains one of the most coui-

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South Africa. Whites are a small minority in Namibia — by one reckoning, only 76,000 of 1.2 million people, the great majority of whom are black. South Africa gained control of the territory from Germany in 1915 and has ruled it since, for the last 22

years in disregard of United Na-

tions resolutions. Now, the drain on the South Af-South Africa to prepare this territo-ry, which is widely known as Na-of the war against black guerrillas based in Angola, and the buildup of Soviet-backed Cuban forces in Angola appear to have coaxed Pre-toria to significant concessions at

the negotiating table. Its rich mineral deposits, thriving fishing industry and prosperous farms have intensified the international dispute over its status.



In San Salvador, a soldier inspecting damage after an attack on the armed forces headquarters.

nounced postponement of the more

radical stages of their socialist pro-gram indefinitely.

During the past eight years, both the Reagan administration, and the

leftist forces in Nicaragua and El

Salvador it sought to crush, have

The Reagan administration

learned that its conviction, rhetoric

and backing for proxy military forces were not enough to "roll

back" the Sandinistas or dismem-

ber the Farabundo Marti National

Liberation Front, the Salvadoran

The Sandinistas and the Salva-

doran guerrillas learned that toler-

ance for Marxist-inspired govern-ments remains low in a region still

guerrilla alliance.

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## Apartheid's Deportees Build a Town and Pride

By Christopher S. Wren

New York Times Service ELSIES RIVER, South Africa As the working-class families packed the Anglican Church of St. Nicholas for the first Mass of Christmas morning, the Reverend Demaraj Laban learned that a woman in the congregation had lost her husband and their home in a recent fire.

Mr. Laban interrupted the service to tell his parishioners of the woman's personal tragedy, and he challenged them to prove their nion. "So we took up a collection and the response was mag-

nificent," be said. Elsies River, a tough mixed-race township on the sand flats west of Cape Town, is not the sort of place one thinks of as a soft touch. It was peopled by the survivors of the relocations, whose homes

were razed when the government declared their oeighborhoods 'whites only" in the 1960s. From settled communities designated as colored in the South Afri-

were dumped at Elsies River with what belongings they could sal-"It was a broken community," Mr. Laban told a visitor, "but it was a very vibrant community and a community committed to justice.

can lexicon of race, the deportees

Somewhere in all this, there is From the early shacks and tents, Elsies River has matured into suburban neighborhoods with tidy bungalows, the homes of working people who underpin the Cape

It has its hard edge, including one of the highest crime rates in South Africa. But lovingly tended flower gardens and verdant lawns, however modest, attest to a resur-

rection of pride. "Here you get the broken people, the people who lost everything, and yet they were able to salvage from that wreck what you see here to-day," Mr. Laban said. "So one feels proud to come from Elsies River." St. Nicholas Church has grown with the community to include 2,200 families in its congregation.

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star. After a week in jail, Mr. Laban

shipers converged on St. Nicholas. More than 2,000 appeared for the

two services Sunday morning.
Small girls paraded frilly white
dresses adorned with pink bows, and their fathers wore Sunday suits as they cradled the mimeographed bymn sheets in calloused hands. The joyful singing of "O Come All Ye Faithful" seemed to shake the siender rafters.

"It's always good to come to a church where you don't preach to the pews," Archbishop Desmond M. Tutu of Cape Town said as he looked at the worshipers overflow-

ing the brick building.

Archbishop Tutu, who was invited to preach by Mr. Laban, his former seminary student, played upon the festiveness. Learning that a young girl named Melanic was celebrating her birthday, the archbishop stopped the Mass to lead the congregation in a spirited renditioo of "Happy Birthday to

Then, from the pulpit, he took up the theme that permeates many of his sermons in South Africa — the dignity and worth, he said, of "all queue, all those who are at the

mother and father for Jesus.

they couldn't even find a room."

however anyone else may despise you are the only person on earth."

Meyer, the young assistant priest at St. Nicholas, led the congregation in prayer, he asked them to remem-

gregation responded.

DEATH NOTICE

## MESSAGE OF CONDOLENCE

VAN TIENHOVEN (Thomas Floro) On December 21, 1988

Part II of the International Herald Tribune's Advertising Section on the Côte d'Ivoire, to appear on

31 December, 1988,

will be devoted to the economy.

# In 1986, the police raided a ser-

vice and carted off Mr. Laban and 250 parishioners, assuming they were holding a political rally.

The authorities decided they might have overreacted when an 11-year-old detainee told police interrogators that she thought Nelson Mandela, the imprisoned anti-apartheid leader, was a football

On Christmas Eve, 1,000 wor-

bottom of the pile. Quoting from St. Luke, the archbishop, resplendent in white vest-meots embroidered with gold thread, reminded the people of Elsies River how God had passed up "the important ones" in selecting a

Japanese living standards.

"By making people believe you are a middle class person despite the low standard of living, the government could make people strive The parents God chose for his for progress. If people give up on the prospect of progress and im-provement, that could create social son were a village carpenter and a village girl," the prelate said. "They were so unimportant that when alienation like that the United they returned home to Bethlehem, States has seen."

Referring to two well-known South African prisons, the arch-bishop said, The ones in Robben Island or Pollsmoor Prison, those in detention without trial, those who have been made invisible,

are emerging, particularly in the assets people hold. The Funabashi couple bought its these are those who Jesus has honapartment 11 years ago for \$66,000. ored by making his friends."

He continued: "Dear friends, It is now worth twice as much, but land prices around them have behowever anyone else may treat you, you, Christmas says for God you are important, for God you matter enormously, for God you are of infinite worth. For God, it is as if

When the Reverend Wilfred The family's income is 7 million yen, or about \$57,000, only slightly above the national average. Indeed, the family is like the majority of those who are behind bars for But be also included a prayer for the leaders of South Africa's white-minority government, and the con-

# On December 21, 1988, aged 45, tragically at Lockerbie with so many others. Beloved husband of Vera, father of Christian and Saskia. Son of Zusje and the late Gips. brother to Gerry and Robby. VAN TIENHOVEN (Thomas Floro)

On December 21, 1988
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colleagues of Tom and their expression
of deep sorrow to Vera, Cristian and
Saskia, his mother and brothers and their

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## economy published in August and a five-year economic plan issued in Takeshita Cabinet May. The Economic Planning Agency Is Likely to Shift

Nicaraguans, mostly civilians, have

During Mr. Reagan's first six months in the White House, the

Sandinista government, among other measures, assaulted the of-

fices of Managua's independent

human rights commission and re-

ceived its first shipment of heavy

Soviet weapons, some two dozen tanks. The Sandinistas seemed cer-

tain that they would build a social-

Today, the Sandinistas are far

more subdued as they struggle to

revive a moribund economy and

impoverished population while courting greater Latin and Europe-

an support. They have publicly an-

ist fortress in Central America.

TOKYO - Prime Minister Noboru Takeshita will shuffle his cabby land prices were unfair. More inet Tuesday after the closing of the current session of the Diet, or pargaps in income and ownership of liament, an official with the prime bstantial assets and consumer minister's residence said Monday. durables had widened over the past

Mr. Takeshita is expected to appoint new justice and education ministers, while retaining Foreign Minister Sosuke Uno. He appoint-ed Tatsuo Murayama as imance These disparities are glaring to those who grew up in a society where until recently no one flaunted wealth and few had real wealth minister over the weekend, follow-Japanese are sounding the alarm early, before the sense of unfairness ing the resignation of Kiichi Miyazawa over a stock-trading swells and undermines dedication

It is customary for Japanese The government is worried be- prime ministers to shuffle their cause the stability of society and cabinets after a year in office, espethose who are at the end of the queue, all those who are at the sidered to rest on this sense of an such as the tax bill recently passed. iko Inoguchi, a professor of inter- lar 150-day session of the Diet on Tokyo. "Even though the sea is national relations at Sophia Uni- Friday to pass the government's versity who has writtee on budget.

> spent on obligations like winter gifts, funeral presents and even her husband's entertainment allowance. She has oot bought anything for the apartment in a long time.

> "There is no space," she said.
> Such yen-pinching is a far cry
> from the boom in luxury goods, foreign travel and leisure activities that some other Japanese are enjoy-

According to Dentsu, Japan's leading advertising agency, Japa-ness are snapping up European fur-niture and special toilets with builtin bidets.

come so expensive that they could only afford to buy a slightly larger apartment (840 square feet, with another bedroom) for \$250,000, which is not expensive by Tokyo standards. They are still waiting to move into the larger place.

The family's income is 7 million

Many of the purchasers have been prosperous land and stock holders—the planning agency estimated that spending by company owners rose by 4 percent last year, compared to a 0.7 percent rise in consumption in laborers' households. Many of the purchasers have

But other consumers are those who have given up on buying a home and spend on luxury items instead. Dentsu said more Japa-

pacted on television commercials.

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left out of the shopping spree that ability to earn income and to enjoy saw Janan's real consumption rise 4 the outcome of our diligence," said

## JAPAN: Lost Pride of 'the One Great Middle Class' terms, our per capita gross national product is the first or second in the world. But because of high prices, that income is not enough to give Japanese people the number one or

been dropping, and last year hovered around 50 percent. More and more Japanese are noting the contrast between their living standards and those in Westem countries whose economies are

"Japanese must consider changing their way of living - long working hours, long commuting hours, very few parks," said Kiminear, it's incredibly hard to get to the beach. There's not a good balance between work and free time."

Mr. Akabane and Mr. Masa-

While government measures raising taxes on land sales and promoting land reclamation have continue to crowd into Tokyo, with its booming service and financial

## two living standard." According to the government re-

ports, more Japanese say they are dissatisfied with long working hours, high prices, poor sewage and the general lack of amenities in daily life, such as few parks and recreational areas, Since 1984, the percentage of people who say they are satisfied with their lives has

not as strong as Japan's.

rightist death squads, revolutionary movements were widely seen in Latin America as the most commit hiro Masamura, professor of eco- Today, while they still have sup-Central America who describes the FMLN or the Sandinistas as heroes. "The romance of revolution is totally gone," remarked Joseph El-

dridge, a representative of the huthere is little the government can do to reverse the widening sense of disparities between cleaner of the sense of disparities between cleaner of the sense of th tories against leftist forces in two tiny countries, El Salvador and

Nicaragua, that together have only helped to lower land prices a little, prices are not going to fall substanially as long as so many people appointed," said Hugo Barrera, a rightist Salvadoran politician. "Our expectations of Reagan were

## completely defrauded."

TRADE: Showdown Is Looming

(Continued from page 1) States is using the hormones issue to create a psychological atmo-sphere for the debate about agricultural subsidies in general, Wegter added. "But for us, this is purely a public health and consum-

Mr. Kingon denied the accusation that the United States is being onnecessarily tough.

"We are not suggesting a nation doesn't have the right to protect its citizens against unhealthy imports," Mr. Kingon said. "What we are saying is that our imports are not unhealthy, that your ban is ex-

cessive. It goes too far.
"We are saying, 'Let's go to a court of adjudication. If we are Takao Akabane, deputy minister of the economic agency. "In dollar wrong, we are wrong. If we are by biotechnological methods.

right, you have to do something about it."

Mr. Wegter said the commission accepted that scientists disagree about the possible harmful side effects of certain hormones, but he added, "No scientist claims that it is actually good for your health to

He said the EC imported 400,000 tons of meat a year and had prob-lems only with the United States and, to a far lesser extent, Canada. Mr. Kingon called the EC ban a clude harmful additives from food. But he said it ignored the difference between artificial hormones and natural ones, which are produced

#### very much under the influence of the United States Ironically, the Salvadoran guer-

rillas have survived while the once

much larger contra force seems doomed to fade away for lack of

Ruben Zamora is a left-leaning Salvadoran politician who fled his

country in 1980 to ally with the

armed FMLN, then returned this

year to participate peacefully in up-coming elections. Mr. Zamora said

he draws two main conclusions

from the Reagan years.

"First, despite all the aggressiveness the United States can show in

a tiny region like this, it is possible

to resist. Reagan can't get rid of us completely. Second, even if we manage to hang on, the U.S. ad-ministration has an almost unlimit-

ed capacity to ruin any plan to

develop we might have. So, we have

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Today, that has ended, Salvadorans and Nicaraguans say they remain far from achieving

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19 Die in Riots After Indian's Murder NEW DELHI (Reuters) - Troops were sent to the south Indian city o REBELS: In Central America, No Winners or Losers Vijayawada on Monday after 19 people died in riots following the naurder of a local politician, the Press Trust of India said.

WORLD BRIEFS

Kremlin Official Warns Soviet Press

President Mikhail S. Gorbachev.

obey general laws," he said.

Mr. Gorbachev.

MOSCOW (AP) — The Kremlin ideology chief, in a speech published Monday, criticized some state publications for sensationalism and care. less treatment of facts under the policy of greater openness esponsed by

Vadim A. Medvedev, who was named to the Communist Party Polisbu-

ro in September, indicated that there would be no lessening of cottess

over the mass media. But he also criticized party and government traditionalists, who he said were standing in the way of changes sought by

"People are concerned about hysteria, sensationalism, the destructive

direction of some statements, the inciting of passions, lack of regard for the facts, a deficit of professionalism," and other tendencies in the Soviet press, Pravda quoted Mr. Medvedev as saying. "The mass media must press are all the "The mass media must present the mass media must

Arab League Backs Libya Over Plant

TUNIS (Renters) — The Arab League council expressed solidarity with Libya on Monday and said that any U.S. attack on an alleged

chemical weapons plant there would seriously harm Arab-American

At the end of a one-day meeting called by Libya after President Ronald

Reagan hinted an attack might be under discussion, the council of permanent representatives said: The council affirms its total solidarity.

with Libya and warns against any temptation to unleash an aggression against this state, which would risk having the most serious repercussions

Libya has denied having any chemical weapons and said the factory at Rabta would produce medicine when it opens in two or three months. Mr.

Reagan said last week that Washington was consulting with its allies on how to stop Libya from producing poison gas at the plant. He did not rule

on the region and on Arab-American relations."

It said paramilitary police reinforcements were already patrolling the streets of the city in Andhra Pradesh state to restore order and enforce a

At least six of the victims died when police opened fire on crowd; rioting after a state assemblyman, Mohan Ranga Rao, and two companions were axed to death early Monday, the agency said. Mr. Rao, a member of the Congress (I) Party, was attacked in a camp near his home where he had been fasting for four days to protest alleged police harassment. Others were killed when rioting spread.

## **Exiles Urge Castro to Hold Plebiscite**

MADRID (Reuters) — More than 100 intellectuals and entertainers urged President Fidel Castro on Monday to follow the example of Chile and let Cubans decide in a plebiscite whether be should stay in power They signed an open letter to Mr. Castro, drafted by Cuban exiles a made available to news organizations in Madrid before publicati Tuesday as an advertisement in oewspapers in several countries. The said Mr. Castro should call elections if Cubans voted no in an internationally supervised ballot. He will mark his 30th year in power Jan. 1. The signatories, including Federico Fellini, the Italian film director Saul Bellow, the American writer, Yves Montand, the French entertainer, and Jack Nicholson, the American actor, also said political prisoners should be freed and exiles allowed to return home.

## TRAVEL UPDATE

Looking back, many Central Americans describe the early Rea-The Soviet Union has asked South Korean companies to help build hotels to boost tourism, a Scoul construction official said Monday. Officials at the Overseas Construction Association of Korea said they sions, when ideological visions were confused with reality. Both conservatives and revolutionaries were told the Russians planned to double the number of hotel rooms i pressed for confrontation, believmajor cities to 11,000.

Air France said Monday it had canceled three flights to London and on to Geneva scheduled for Tuesday as a 71-day strike by mechanic dragged on with little sign of a settlement.

## CRASH: Suitcase Is Flown to

ism about what they will not be (Continued from page 1) Two myths were shattered along the way. First, in 1981, after the Sandinistas had recently toppled al failure had been found, though that was still being investigated as a the unpopular Somoza dynasty and possible cause. the Salvadoran rebels were battling

The aircraft, the 15th 747 built by the Boeing Co., was delivered to Pan Am in February 1970.

Mr. Charles's statement said: "Although, because of the fragmented and scattered nature of the wreckage, the investigation of the slow process, no evidence of a structural failure has so far been found. However, the possibility of such a failure is still being actively

Officials at the U.S. Embassy, which is also involved in the crash investigation, said they could add nothing to Mr. Charles's statement.

The plane, Pan Am's Flight 103, disintegrated in the air while less than an hour out of Heathrow Airport en route to New York City. Some passengers and luggage originated in Frankfurt with the first leg of the flight on a smaller 727 air-craft, which let off about half its

passengers in London. On Friday, callers who said they represented a group called the Guardians of the Islamic Revolution, thought to be linked to Hezbollah a Lebanese faction controlled by Iranian extremists, told news agencies in London that they were responsible for bringing down the plane. The authorities treated the claim with skepticism.

Speculation that a bomb might have blown up the plane was increased by the fact that on Dec. 5, a caller had warned State Department officials that there would be a bombing attempt against a Pan American aircraft flying from Frankfurt to the United States.

The British police were made aware of the warning but decided their already tight security procedures at Heathrow Airport were sufficient, they said last week. But the authority that runs the airport said it was not informed of any threat to a Pan American plane.

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aboard by a U.S. Navy cr. Superintendent Angus K., apoperation, said that 240 bodishe crash victims had been found, that 11 local residents - co adults and three children listed as missing and presun dead. The search for the 29 bodie still missing will continue Tuesday,

be said. "At the moment, only a small oumber of them are fully identified," he said. "As soon as a body is positively identified and a post mortem carried out, we can register the death and then place the body in a chapel of rest and make an undertaker available for any relative who wishes to come here to view the remains

## U.S. Jet Lands Safely: With Hole in Fuselage

The Associated Press CHARLESTON, West Virginia - An Eastern Airlines jet carrying 110 people made an emergency landing at an airport near here Monday after developing an 18-inch hole in the fusclage and losing cabin pressure at 31,000 feet, police said. No one was injured.

A spokesman of the Federal Avi-ation Administration in Atlanta said there was no immediate-indication of the cause of the crack. The Boeing 727, en route to Atlanta from Rochester, New York, and carrying 104 passengers and six crew members, experienced "rapid decompression," officials said. The hole was about 18 inches (about 45 centimeters) long and six to eight inches wide on the left side of the Speculation about who would aircraft near the tail.

# SOLDIERS: For U.S. Soldiers on the German Border, Holidays as Usual

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anxious questions. trim the Red Army by 500,000 "I think it makes my mother feel moons in the next two years. better than it does me," said Ser-"It makes you feel more secure geant Kenneth Bacon, 23, a tank gunner. It was his first Christmas about being here," Private First Class Charles Graviss, a 20-yearaway from his wife and two danghold tank driver, said. "It makes you ters, but be was not complaining. "I'm kind of a patriotic person," he Because of Mr. Gorbachev, sevsaid. "That's a lot of the reason eral soldiers said their parents do why I joined the army. If we

be any Christmas."

These soldiers have two overall

missions: watching the border, and

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and Bradley Cavalry Fighting Ve-

hicles to practice maneuvering,

scouting and shooting. Hours Monday to Saturday 9 pm 6:30 pm closed on Sunday

not telephone quite so often with jeeps. Their main joh on such out- tures, and, in one case, a cautious ings is to watch for any indications that the other side is building up its

forces for a possible attack. Nobody here could remember ever seeing any such indications. Instead, they report mostly on East German efforts to make the border "leakproof," such as by installing new sensors or putting up additionweren't here, maybe there wouldn't

The Americans gather informaman patrols, appearances of War-saw Pact Hind-D and Hoplite helicopters, and of East German military vehicles.

The U.S. troops are not supposed to speak with or otherwise The soldiers normally live in the acknowledge the presence of the Bad Hersfeld barracks, but they East German border soldiers they patrol the frontier on foot and in reported exchanging obscene ges-rifle, and it's loaded."

smile, with their counterparts on

the other side. "They do the same thing we do
— which is looking," said Sergeant
First Class John Kregel, 41, the outpost's noncommissioned officer-in-charge.

U.S. officers and enlisted men said they felt sorry for their comrades-in-arms who never get a chance to see the heavily fortified tion on the frequency of East Ger- frontier. "Until I saw the border. I never knew you could do something like that to another person keep them penned in," Private John Hubbard Jr., 20, said. "It made me feel like I joined the army

for a purpose, not just to cook." Added Second Lieutenant Christooher Kolenda, 23, the outpost's spend about 50 days a year at borsee. But it was clear that there is a officer in charge: "You get a real
der outposts such as this one. They
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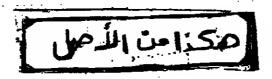
## Western Papers Go on Sale Sunday in Soviet Kiosks

MOSCOW - Special kiosks in large Soviet cities will sell a few hundred copies a day of Western newspapers and magazines begin-

ning Sunday, Tass said Monday. The news agency said the publications would include the International Herald Tribune, the U.S. newsmagazines Time and News week, and The Guardian, The Times and the Financial Times of

Initially, Tass said, 400 copies each of the International Herald Tribane and the Financial Times and 350 copies of The Guardian will be sold daily. It did not say where besides Moscow they will be

The fact that the new arrivals, which certainly cannot be called "pro-Soviet," will be sold here at all says a lot about increased openness in the Soviet Union," the official press agency said. Distribution of such publications has long been prohibited in the Soviet Union on ideological grounds. Since the Moscow summit meeting between President Ronald Reagan and Mikhail S. Gorbachev, the Soviet leader, a few copies of the publications have been available at the Soviet Foreign Ministry's press center. But access to the press center generally is limited to accredited correspondents.



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The church also said the government had recently reduced the tribe's lands by 70 percent in violation of the new constitution, which recognizes the "original rights" of Brazil's 220,000 or so surviving Indians "over the lands they traditionally occupy."

By Marlise Simons

New York Times Service
RIO DE JANEIRO — The Ro-

man Catholic Church in Brazil has

socused the government of President José Sarney of adopting poli-cies that could lead to the extinc-

tion of the Yanomami, one of the

The Conference of Brazilian

Bishops charged that the govern-

ment had allowed as many as

100,000 gold prospectors into the komeland of the Yaoomami.

About 9,000 members of the tribe

live in the northwestern state of

country's largest Indian tribes.

"The Yanomami are in extreme danger of extermination," the bish-eps' statement said. "Economic, political and military interests, backed by a state that should be defending the Indians, are taking precedence over the rights of the anomami, whose only aspiration is to live in dignity."

Ovidio Martins de Aranjo, legal counsel for the National Indian Foundation, said the government was also alarmed by the invasion of est of the country's Indians. prospectors in the Yanomami regioo and was planning to evict them. But be rejected the charge that the government had violated the constitution in defining tribal

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1950 and, in contrast to many other tribes, they still retain most of their traditional customs.

**Church Sees Threat** 

To Brazil's Indians

Over the last 15 years, the outside world has increasingly en-creached on them. After work began in 1973 on a highway between Manaus and Boa Vista that cut through the southeastern edge of their lands, many Yanomami fell ill with malaria, suberculosis, influenza and venereal diseases brought in by construction workers.

When the government identified gold, trranium and cassiterite reserves in the Yanomami region io 1975, freelance prospectors then began moving deep into the tribal lands, not only clashing frequently with the Indians but also polluting their rivers and lakes. In the 1980s and particularly

since civilian rule returned to Brazil in 1985, tensions in the Yanomami region have been growing steadily. The Catholic Church has stood almost alone in defending the Indians against the armed forces, local government authorities, miniog companies and prospectors' organizations.

One explanation provided by the National Security Council for its decision in 1985 to establish military bases along Brazil's oorthern frontier was the bebef that pro-Indian groups were trying to promote creation of a Yanomami republic covering parts of both Brazil and Venezuela, where some 10,000 Yanomami live.

At the same time, the National Indian Foundation, known in Brazil as Funai, has taken the position that social and cultural integration into Western society is in the inter-

"We can't have the Indians eternally as museum pieces," Mr. de Araujo said. "Our policy is to into grate them so they can have a more human and dignified life."

The church's argument, howev-Although the Indians in Brazil er, is that the Yanomami are dehave been fighting a losing battle fenseless against the chaotic scram-for survival since Portuguese colo-ble to exploit the resources within nizers arrived in 1500, the Yano- their traditional lands, particularly mami have long been regarded as when this is tolerated and even enan unusual case because contact couraged by different organs of the



A Brazilian politician paid tribute to Franciso Mendes Filho as mourners gathered around his coffin.

## 2,000 at Funeral of Brazil Activist

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Police, environmentalists and

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#### Eovironmentalists, politicians leaders of the Union of Rural declebrities from all over Brazil Workers of Xapuri, of which Mr. RIO DE JANEIRO - About and celebrities from all over Brazil 2,000 people gathered Monday for journeyed to the ceremony in Xa-

the funeral of Franciso Mendes Filho, a Brazilian rural labor leader and defender of the Amazon rain

forests who was killed last week.

Superficial or not, all this camaraderie will be quickly tested by attempts to forge a new federal budget, which will officially begin Jan. 9, when Mr. Reagan proposes

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determined, loyal opposition to look at George Bush the way they looked at Gerald Ford: a mice

took over as prime minister in September and quickly launched an aggressive image-building campaign that included economic re-

# As Polish Economy Staggers, Solidarity Accord Is Likelier

By Jackson Diehl Washington Post Service
WARSAW — After months of

resisting a political settlement with the banned Solidarity labor movement, the Polish leadership is being forced toward concessions as the country teeters on the brink of economic crisis.

The Polish leader, General Wojciech Jaruzelski, suspended the last Central Committee session of the year last week without yielding on the issue of Solidarity's legalization
— the main demand of the year's two strike waves and the key to a broad "anti-crisis pact" between government and opposition.

Nevertheless, opposition leaders and Western diplomats say there is a growing chance that the govern-ment will be forced to come to terms with Solidarity in the com year. As inflation has surpassed 60 percent and living conditions have steadily worsened, they say, the popularity of the iodependent on movement has sharply risen.

Now, despite a move to put into effect new economie plans, the government is facing growing consumer shortages and has all but resigned itself to a new downturn that could bring Poland back to the bare shelves and long lines of 1980-1981. As a result, even the most optimistic party strategists expect another surge of unrest among workers, one that may be far harder to control than those in May and August of this year.

Society's patience is running out," the deputy prime minister, Ireneusz Sekula, 10ld the parliament last week.

Party members say both the expected conflicts and any move to-ward agreement with Solidarity may pose a special threat to General Jaruzelski, who ordered the suppression of the union under martial law in December 1981. The combination of the growing economic disorder and Solidarity's mounting strength has left the general open to the charge that be is returning the country to the situation be inherited when he took power in the fall of

"Jaruzelski has to be very careful," said ooe veteran party official. "Feelings within the party oow are very bad, and a lot of it is being directed against him."

In the last three months, he already has been overshadowed as a national leader by Micczyslaw Rakowski, the veteran politician who

The prime minister at first was openly disdainful of talks with Solidarity, and his program appeared

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intended to substitute for e pact with the opposition. Yet, bopes within the party for the succe such a strategy collapsed after Lech Walesa, the Solidarity leeder charmed a national television eudience during a debate with the chief of the official unions, Alfred Miodowicz, last month.

After the broadcast, Mr. Walea's personal popularity soared. Moreover, according to unpublished government polls, the per centage of Poles favoring the legalization of Solidarity rose from 52 percent to more than 70 percent, party sources said.

Authorities have responded to Mr. Walesa's surge with a cam-paign in the official press praising him as a moderate and responsible leader, in contrast to unnamed "extremists" elsewhere in the opposition. But since the praise has not been accompanied by any change in the official position on legalizing Solidarity, union campaigners have concluded that the government is simply seeking to co-opt Mr. Wa-

The principal obstacle to the union's reactivation oow appears to lie in the ranks of the ruling party, especially in the apparatus of the police, the military and the existing Communist-run trade unions. At the plenum last week, as at an earlier meeting in September, several rank-and-file Central Committee members harshly attacked Solidarity and rejected any move to legalize iL

Remarkably, however, Mr. Rakowski responded with a speech defending Mr. Walesa and suggesting that "many people are in favor of what the government is doing and at the same time want the res-Ioratioo of Solidarity."

Although the struggle within the party is far from over, many political analysts say they believe the deteriorating economy will soon provide a decisive impulse for action. Since the last wave of strikes ended in early September, inflation has rapidly picked up speed as authorities have poured money into the economy to quiet workers. According to official statistics, wage inflation in the 12 months ending in November reached 114 percent.

Because prices have oot kept pace with wages, rising less than 70 percent, goods are rapidly disappearing from state shops and inventories are approaching the rockbottom lows they reached in 1981, according to official statistics. Yet, party authorities, fearful of another explosion of worker unrest, have vetoed the big price increases that would be necessary to stabilize the

The government economic plan presented to parliament last week uggests an unorthodox and highly approach. It calls for raising basic food prices about 15 percent next year while trying to keep workers' wage increases and other price rises under 20 percent. The cost of this strategy will be a mas-sive increase in subsidies that will quadruple the government's budget deficit to more than 1 trillion zlotys, or about \$2.1 billion.

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# Past Posturing Aside, Bush-Congress Relations Seem Calm

By Robin Toner New York Times Service WASHINGTON - This is a

ad canceled three flights to lating season of passive aggression, politipesday as a 71-day strike by act cal-style, among congressional · Just seven weeks after the close of an extraordinarily bitter presi-

dential campaign, many Demo-cratic lawmakers speak with elabo-rate courtesies of President-elect George Bush. They say they look forward to a government of conciliation. They

say he understands them, remem-bers their names. They voice the respect of one group of profession-als for another. Ou can say paign," said Tony Coelho, the Democratic California congress-

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Representative Beryl Anthony Ir., chairman of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Commit-

ship. And so, the Democrats smile budget deficit, now about \$155 billion, to \$100 billion in fiscal year

tee, went home to Arkansas before

"But I certainly don't want to preempt the president-elect's judgment about what he wants to pre-

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George J. Mitchell, Senate majority leader.

asked him about the possibility of new taxes, the Democratic leader said he would vote for them only when his president asked him to; in writing, in a letter that he could share with the folks back home. Democratie leaders have been

dancing a gracious, deferential "I personally think it would be extraordinarily difficult to get to the Gramm-Rudman targets without a combination of spending restraints and new revenues," said Representative Thomas S. Foley,

Christmas. When his constituents sent to us as his plan." Mr. Foley's lips were oot hard to read.

For all the political posturing between Coogress and the Bush team, there is little of the open animosity so widely predicted after the presidential campaign.

"What are the options?" asked Senator George J. Mitchell of Maine, the oew majority leader.
"That we sulk and pout and say we're not going to work with the president-elect because we don't like the campaign he conducted?"

Mr. Foley said, "We cannot afthe House majority leader. He was ford the kind of luxury that some-referring to the federal law, co-

whose duty is to oppose."

There is probably more than statesmanship at work. Mr. Bush they take terribly seriously.

ran an exceptionally hard campaign, but it was essentially directed against Michael S. Dukakis, his opponent, and oot against Congress, some Democrats oote.

"The guy's a very professional public official who did not run his election against Congress the way Reagan did," said Senator John B Breaux of Louisiana, the new chairman of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee.

And Mr. Bush, unlike Mr. Dukakis or Mr. Reagan, is a child of

"He worked out at the House gym," Mr. Coelho said. "He knows who you are. He knows what you've done."

His planned appointees — for example, Richard G. Darman as budget director and James A. Baker 3d as secretary of state - are also comfortable fixtures of the

Washington scene. Norman Ornstein, an analyst at the American Enterprise Institute, e research organization, asserted that much of this warmth can simply be read as recognition that the public is favorably disposed toward Mr. Bush at the moment. "I'd say 80 percent of it is tacti-

cal," Mr. Ornstein said. He also

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recans in the Soviet clies of molecular the state of the On Sunday afternoon, a crowd of Chinese gathered again. According to the official report, they marched through the streets chanting "Punish assailants!" According to two American students, they to two American students, they also attacked the African students they dormitories, destroying television spice of sets, furniture and other property.

Some people were injured and American students are destroying television.

Some people were injured, an American student said, but it was not clear bow many or how serious
In January last year, 300 African a student sin Beijing marched to the time of the said January last year, 300 African last with the Moroccan Embassy, demanding to and white be sent home, and refused to leave with the sent home, and refused to leave with the sent home.

## Italian Quake of 1980 Reverberates With Greed and Political Cynicism

By Clyde Haberman

1:0 propie made at the Chinese electric to a room. Some New York Times Service Chinese also appear upset when the African students, who are over-ROME — In this season, when much of the world is sharing Armewbelmingly male, date Chinese nia's agony, Italians have been dis-tracted by the reverberations from Americans and Europeans an-

an earthquake of their own.

arouse much less resent ment.

The clashes began on Saturday, when Hehai University held a stuction of the cause dent dance, and officials et the tree made of the Rochester, No. 1 cards.

The Boeing 727 en ment. The dance, and officials et the tree made of the Rochester, No. 1 cards. ment, incompetence and greed, and laced with a liberal dose of political ill will. Some people say they are outraged, Many more seem amused or simply resigned.

No matter bow they may personally react, Italians in general have recently withstood a bombardment

Theirs is a sordid tale, pocked

with allegations of mismanage-

income Rochester. No. 1 door asked to see identification cards. Xinhua reported that two cards. Xinhua reported that two arrival members of the cards. Xinhua reported that two African men with Chinese dates refused to show identification, and that after a dispute other African that after a dispute other after a dispute other African that after a dispute other after a dispute other after a dispute o of diatribes about earthquake-related corruption. The earthquake at issue occurred in November 1980, rocking mounning of the fighting. In any case, the tain hamlets in a region southeast of Naples called Irpinia. Although the quake was oo match for the one that has devastated Armenia, it was bad enough, More than 2,700 peo-

ple died, and dozens of villages were devastated. Irpinia desperately oceded government help, and since 1980, it has eccived it by the barrelful. Money has poured in for reconstruction

The problem is that accounting procedures have been slipshod, and no one is able to say exactly how much was spent. Publicly quoted figures have gone up and down like rockets, ranging from \$7 billion to \$52 billion. The latest government

and long-delayed economic devel-

estimate is \$33 billion, give or take e couple of billion. Worse yet, no one knows where all the money went. If even a frac-tion of the allegations are accurate, earthquake victims were minor has named the "endangered Earth" as "Planet of the Year," departing from its annual "Man of the Year" shareholders in this public largesse.

Thousands of others apparently

prospered, including contractors, engineers, local politicians, their friends and even members of the not consider itself "in the dock." Camorra, the Neapolitan Mafia. In imitation of the U.S. habit of the political opposition began to talk about "Irpiniagate." Many of their charges took dead aim at Prime Minister Ciriaco De

Mita, who has been running the government for only the last eight months but who seemed a reason-able target nonetheless to many Italians because (1) he is there, and (2) be and his family come from the disaster area and own a tiny part of a local bank, the Banco Popolare dell'Irpinia.

Over the last eight years, Banco Popolare's deposits have grown 15 times in value. No one has demon-strated that this was the result of untoward behavior rather than a sudden influx of public funds into the depressed region. Yet, the im-plications were fairly obvious, and the opposition, hoping to weaken the government, pressed the notion that the prime minister had benefited from Irpinia's misery.

The uproar was enough to force the resignation of a close De Mita aide, and there are now plans for But the prime minister slugged back. He said be was the victim of a

The Associated Press NEW YORK — Time magazine as "Planet of the Year," departing designation to call for "e universal

crusade to save the planet."

Time Down to Earth at Last

Things took an especially nasty turn after an exchange between Mr. naming scandals by tacking on the suffix "gate," the Italian press and editor. The editor, Indro Montan-

elli, accused the politician of practicing bossism in "mafiosi" style. The politician responded that journalists were "bought" and forced to write articles they did not believe. Name-calling aside, there was no denying that a good deal of public money went astray, Mr. De Mita finally acknowledged, and be pro-posed that in the future special

funds reach their intended destina-And that is where matters rest. Italian political commentators hold that Mr. De Mita has been roughed up politically but not enough to threaten his government immediately.

Meanwhile, these days, Rome is

commissions be created to oversee

disaster relief and to make sure that

conspicuously quiet. There is a general sense of well-being and an aversion to boat-rocking. Given that attitude, few were shocked when Mr. De Mita sug-gested thet Irpiniagate, while deolorable, was also inevitable. In Italy, be said with an air of

resignation, there are always "at-

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## The Coldest Hands

child's face. When income sinks, it is not usually defense spending that suffers but health and education. A decade ago a net \$40 billion flowed from the richer north to the south; now the flow goes the other way to the tune of at least \$20 billion.

So reports UNICEF, the United Nations Children's Fund. Its annual report, "The State of the World's Children," is among the most poignant of official documents. It tells how, to cite one example, infant mortality has risen again since 1982 in most Brazilian regions, most sharply in the impoverished northeast and north. The poignancy arises because inexpensive means exist for reducing dehydration, long the biggest killer, and for immunizing against common diseases.
UNICEF and its able executive director,

James Grant, make the case that money devoted to nutrition, primary health care, education, safe water and sanitation could eradicate the worst aspects of world poverty in little more than a decade - at a cost of

\$13 trillion annual output.

A good measure of the progress of the poor is the survival rate of children under 5. China, Costa Rica, South Korea and Sri Lanka, for instance, have juggled debts and limited resources so that they rank far ahead of countries with up to five times more per capita wealth, like South Africa.

Through cogent arguments and practical programs, UNICEF has opened purses in the U.S. Congress, which has voted \$60 million in funding, with more due for special projects. But this year's report has a different, more alarming thrust. UNICEF fears that the gains of a decade will be washed away by a debt crisis whose least visible victims are the children of the poor. What is involved is not just generous support of a worthy agency, but halting a debt-driven slide into poverty. The coldest hands in the cradle are those of bankers and officials bereft of heart and imagination as this crisis deepens.

—THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## **Crocker Stuck With It**

Chester Crocker, the Reagan administra-tion's man for Africa, hung in for eight years, never losing confidence in his auda-cious design, dealing with some of the most difficult actors on the international scene, absorbing repeated attacks from the flanks. As a result the United States has a striking diplomatic achievement in southern Africa
— perhaps the last region where any achievement of any sort might have been expected from this administration.

If all goes well, in its narrow terms the agreement delivers independence to South Africa's longtime colony of Namibia, ushers out the Cuban forces that the Marxistoriented MPLA government of Angola summoned to its defense 13 years ago, and points toward a political settlement within Angola. In its broad terms it establishes the United States as the arbiter of peace in a racially torn, politically important region. In its most promising potential, it promotes the sort of relaxation that is good not only for regional cooperation but for South Afri-

can internal reform as well. Skeptics to his left said Mr. Crocker's strategy — getting South Africa out of Namibia by getting Cuba out of Angola — was unjust, pigheaded and unworkable. When the administration took the questionable next step of starting to aid Angola's UNITA insurgents, that seemed to many to ensure that the Cubans would stay - and therefore that the South Africans would stay, too. But mutual exhaustion, and Mikhail Gorbachev's decision to lighten the Soviet load, produced

general readiness for a settlement. The indispensable Mr. Crocker, who had come up with his idea for one in a magazine article in

1980, was there to fit the pieces together. Skeptics of the right now cry that he has sold out Angola's insurgents. But the MPLA's Cuban guard is retiring, U.S. (but not South African) aid to Jonas Savimbi's UNITA contimes and other African states are midging the two Angolan factions to coexist.

Mr. Crocker imagined "constructive en-

gagement" as a comprehensive policy for dealing with all of southern Africa, not just as the use of persuasion and understanding rather than pressure to induce change in white-ruled South Africa alone, As black rage against apartheid rose, the uncertain way the Reagan administration applied the policy to Pretoria made it seem to many Americans like too much understanding and of the wrong kind and not enough pressure

The result of all this was that the policy, at least by name, was discredited, and this in turn was misleading. Whatever its misadventures and shortcomings in respect to internal South African affairs, it is precisely with "constructive engagement" that Washington has encouraged South Africa to stop intimidating its black-ruled neighbors, and otherwise has made the United States more useful to the whole region's well-being.

The Bush administration is going to have to find its own tone, its own levers. It will be able to build on the splendid contribution of Chester Crocker.

- THE WASHINGTON POST.

## An Environmentalist

George Bush insisted during the presidential campaign that he was an environmentalist. Skeptics saw little proof in his record. But his word may be easier to accept now that he has nominated William Reilly to head the

Environmental Protection Agency.

Mr. Bush packaged the EPA job with his choice of Manuel Lujan, a New Mexico Republican, as secretary of the interior. Representative Lujan's environmental credentials are far less strong. But together the two nominees promise more than environmental-

Mr. Reilly is a lawyer who has devoted his career to protecting the environment. He is president of the World Wildlife Fund and of the Conservation Foundation, a research group respected for careful views and undogmatic reports. When efforts to clean up abandoned toxic dumps bogged down in litigation, he helped break the impasse by founding Clean Sites, a group that mediates cleanup settlements between polluters and the government.

Mr. Reilly has long been interested in pollution problems abroad, and is well prepared to address issues of international reach, like the greenhouse effect and the threat to the ozone layer. "The country faces an array of environmental effects even more daunting than pollution crises of the past generation," he wrote in his foundation's latest "State of the Environment" report. He will now have a well-earned chance to frame the solutions.

Lee Thomas has administered the EPA with distinction. Within the limits set by the White House, he made notable strides rebuilding the agency from the mins left by Anne Burford. His successes include banning uses of asbestos and helping secure the international treaty to protect the ozone layer.

Republicans are heirs to two traditions which often compete. Theodore Roosevelt establishment's noblesse oblige commitment to protecting the environment. Mr. Reagan embodied the Western enterprisers who put development first. But his appointees, Mrs. Burford at EPA and James Watt at Interior, wrenched their agencies full tilt toward exploiting the environment, leaving an indelible blot on Mr. Reagan's record.

Mr. Bush has shown greater care and sensitivity in blending the two traditions. Mr. Lujan, formerly senior Republican on the House Interior Committee, has voted in favor of development projects like oil drilling in the Arctic wilderness. Yet there is no sign that he shares the extremism of Reagan appointees like Mr. Watt. By picking him and Mr. Reilly, Mr. Bush has made a sound start

on keeping his environmental promises. - THE NEW YORK TIMES.

## **Other Comment**

## A Blow to Nonproliferation

In the twilight of his term, President Reagan has dealt a blow to efforts to prevent the spread of nuclear weapons. He has issued an executive order that opens the way to convert U.S. civilian power plants into factories producing nuclear bomb material. This squanders any leverage the United States might have had to dissuade other nations from doing the same. Under the new wording, "any occurrence ... including technological emergency" could be used as a pretext for ideering civilian power plants.

- The Boston Globe.

## For a Global War on Drugs

Governments worldwide have awakened to the dangers of the flow of illegal drugs. In Vienna, 43 nations recently signed a United Nations convention which requires them to deal more harshly with the drug menace. This includes the enactment of laws which would allow governments to freeze or seize the bank accounts or property of suspected traffickers. The signatories also undertake

not to hinder probes into the assets of international drug syndicates, to extradite suspects and to curb the cultivation of drug-

governments are expected to sign.

The determination to combat the drug menace comes not only from its spread but also from a recognition that drug trafficking has become more sophisticated. With the new convention, the international campaign against drugs is being taken one step further. Governments are hitting the drug barons where it hurts — their pockets. If implemented, the convention should also put a stop to the activities of certain banks which have helped drug syndicates to conceal their ill-gotten profits.

producing plants in their countries. More

The new convention may be worth no more than the paper on which it is signed. The document is subject to local laws, meaning that signatory countries can run away from fulfilling their obligations. But if the remaining havens for drug dealers are to be wiped out, and the lives of many saved from the debilitating effects of drugs, the will to serve a common cause must prevail.

- The Straits Times (Singapore).

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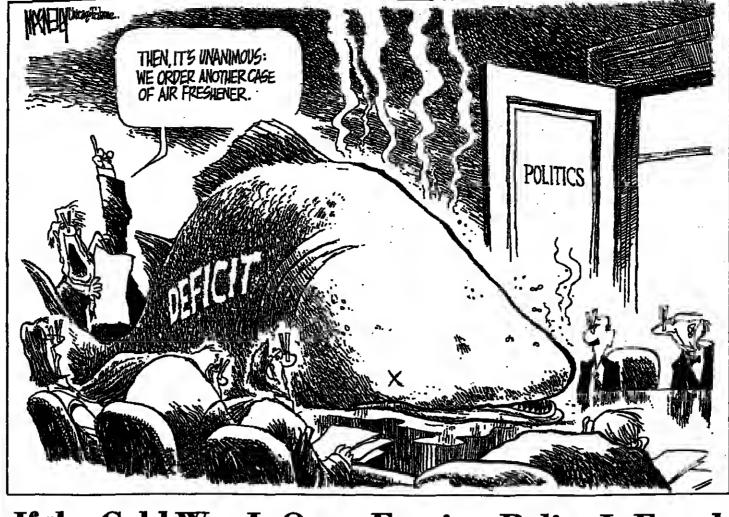
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# If the Cold War Is Over, Foreign Policy Is Freed

WASHINGTON — Mikhail Gorbachev's bold W appeal to reshape the world order requires the United States to review its foreign policy. For more than 40 years, America's international strategy has been subordinated to one overriding con-cern: deterring Soviet global designs against the West. But now the Soviet Union is declaring that the idea of an irreconcilable class conflict between capitalist and socialist nations is obsolete.

Mr. Gorbachev leaves American diplomacy with no choice but to adjust to the new international environment or be constantly outmaneuvered by

For decades, America has felt obliged to support all kinds of unsavory regimes, left and right, out of fear that the Soviet Union would fill any power vacuum.

Moscow. After all, when an ally as reliable and hard-nosed as Margaret Thatcher talks about an end to the Cold War, a one-dimensional fixation on the East-West rivalry is no longer a credible option. Moreover, there may be sizable advantages to exploring the Kremlin's opening, uncertain as it may be, in order to liberate American foreign policy from the straitjacket imposed by superpower hostility.

The Cold War brought clarity in adversity. The

disintegration of the comforting international disci-pline associated with the Cold War leads to a new global environment -less rigid but more uncertain. For America, the trade-off for the erosion in clarity is the opportunity to address a number of pressing national security challenges that could not be given priority amid rigid superpower politics.

Three challenges are urgent. The first is restructuring America's defense forces and its contributions to the alliance so as to promote fairer burden sharing without damaging

American security interests. · The second is ending the manipulation of By Dimitri K. Simes

ploited Soviet-American animosity to get greater assistance from both superpowers The third is gaining a greater latitude for unilateral uses of America's power against those

who consider its interests easy prey. Currently, more than 70 percent of America's defense budget is devoted to the least likely, even if the most ominous, threat to security: full-scale

Soviet aggression against the West.
Statements by NATO leaders as well as West European opinion polls strongly suggest that Ameri-ca's allies are even more optimistic about Mr. Gorbachev's intentions than America is. As a result, European friends do not feel obliged to accept a greater share of the mutual defense burden. In fact, a number of them are beginning to feel that Ameri-ca's presence is not so much a generous protection against the common enemy as an increasingly un-welcome imposition on their sovereignty.

Thus, a gap is growing between the mounting costs of the American contribution to NATO and its

declining political and military returns.

In addition, America's commitment to the defense of Western Europe comes at the expense of other pressing military priorities. For example, its Persian Gulf tanker-protection operation demonstrated a shortage of mine sweepers. Moreover, the United States does not have sufficient long-range capabilities for air and naval force projection.

This is particularly crucial now, As the example of Libya shows, no West European ally, with the exception of Britain, seems prepared to allow the use of American bases on their territory to launch overseas military operations.

The apparent decline in the Soviet threat allows

America, through a combination of arms control, arrangements with the allies and unilateral steps, to make its military structure more responsive to the evolving global environment.

Downplaying the rivalry with Moscow may also put the United States in a strong position to resist inwarranted Third World demands for assistance. Too many underdeveloped countries self-rightcousty insist that receiving aid is their God-given

osity. Their favorite instrument in pressuring Washington has been to raise the specter of the same closer to the Soviet Union. But today Mourow has Latted enthusiasm for Third World assistance seekers.

Additional costly commitments that the Kremlin might undertake should not cause much worry, so long as they do not come at the expense of basic U.S. security and economic interests. Already overbur-dened with numerous radical left-wing basket cases masquerading as allies, the Soviet empire would not be strengthened by such commitments.

For its part, America has for decades felt obliged to support all kinds of unsavory regimes, left and right, out of fear that the Soviet Union would fill any power vacuum. However, Moscow's current sense of overextension reduces the weight of the Soviet factor in evaluating aid requests from the Third World. Paradoxically, the Soviet-American rapproche-ment makes military power more useful as a U.S.

foreign policy instrument.

In the 1979-80 crisis, when Iran held Americans hostage, the Kremlin was very much an invisible presence during the Carter administration's deliberations about feasible military retaliation. Removing the constant concern about Soviet counteraction would permit Washington greater reliance

on military force in a crisis. Those who contemplate challenging important American interests might think twice if America's hands were relatively untied. For example, the 1973 oil embargo probably would not have taken place without the Arabs' widespread perception that America would not dare to respond militarily out of fear of triggering Soviet counterintervention.

Then, too, the Sandinistas and their Cuban spon-

sors would be bound to become a little nervous over Mr. Gorbachev's potential reaction if America finally lost patience with their mischief.

In sum, Mr. Gorbachev's intiatives mean that the United States can end its single-minded obsession with the Soviet Union as a target or a partner. An assertive and dynamically pragmatic foreign policy might well serve America best in the 1990s, beginning in the Bush administration.

The writer is senior associate at the Carnegie Endowment for International Peace. He contributed

# Gorbachev Should Be Grateful to the Dissidents

BOSTON — Recent years have seen an extraordinary develorment in world affairs, one largely unanticipated. That is the growth and acceptance of human rights as an international standard for the behavior of governments.

The idea has become so much a part of our outlook that we forget how novel it is. Not so long ago the Soviet Union insisted that the way it treated its citizens was none of the world's business. Tyrannies of the right took the same position. And the U.S. government was reluctant to make human rights a consistent

thread in its diplomacy.

President Reagan, taking office in 1981, nominated as assistant secretary of state for human rights a man who did not believe in his job. Ernest

By Jerry Sternin

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Youth groups and community volunteers joined Save the Children

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For example, our villagers have been trained to use lifesaving oral

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When the floodwaters had reced-

ready to respond to the crisis.

By Anthony Lewis

Lefever said: "The U.S. averture at has no responsibility — and certainly no authority — to promote human rights in other sovereign states." He soviet Union. Who could have guessed that a Soviet leader would stand before the United Nations and call for enforcement of human rights wanted to denounce Communist cruelties but not those carried out by "friendly" governments.

Today no U.S. president would denigrate the role of human rights. The State Department may occasionally take a more hopeful view of trends in a regime that the United States supports, but there is no challenge to the principle that basic rights are indivisible. Torture, arbitrary imprisonment and killing by the state are unacceptable everywhere.

The most dramatic developments have come in Mikhail Gorbachev's

tion of homes, roads and schools,

Village development committees in

additional high-yielding irrigated winter crop which would replace a

summer crop lost to floods. In ex-

change for favorable credit terms to

have agreed to set aside half of the

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itability and their own impotence

The writer is director of the Ban-

gladesh field office of Save the Chil-dren (USA). He contributed this to

Most important of all, people

roads with wider embankments.

Self-Help in Bangladesh

DHAKA, Bangladesh — Save the Children has worked for Assessing the condition of the most

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Because the program was firmly plans to cope with future disasters.

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CBS-TV news team visited our pro-

ect areas in October and found that ed, has helped bring about that

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flood-related diarrheal deaths were change in attitude. only one per 20,000, while at a near-

agreements by the World Court? That hundreds of Soviet political prisoners would be released? That Andrei Sakharov would be able to speak out, in Moscow and New York

against policies of his government?
Of course, utopia has not arrived, in the Soviet Union or elsewhere. Soviet labor camps still hold people condemned for their religious or political beliefs and expression. Laws remain on the books that allow criminal punishment of dissenters and forced confinement in psychiatric hospitals.
Worse repression continues in some
countries of Eastern Europe, notably Romania and Czechoslovakia.

Elsewhere in the world there are unspeakable horrors. Amnesty International reported recently that there has been a wave of political executions in Iran, with 300 deaths confirmed and the total probably running into the thousands. Amnesty Abdullah Fatah, who went mad after Iraqi torturers put his head in a hood

filled with flying ants.

In China, the leading figure in the Democracy Wall movement of the 1970s, Wei Jingsheng is serving a 15-year sentence for writing his political views. In Israel, thousands of Palestinians are held without trial in oppressive conditions at a desert camp.

What has changed is that the world notices such cruelties. It has become more difficult for governments to carry them out in silence, in secret.

That is a profound change. Governments on the whole do not like international attention focused on their violations of human rights. To

avoid it they may moderate their harshness. There were striking examples just now in South Africa. The sovernment released two detainees who were about to get inter-national recognition. Zwelakhe Sisulu a prominent black newspaper editor, had been held without trial for nearly two years. He was freed just

to his whole family.

before former President Jimmy Car-ter presented a human rights award Janet Cherry, a white woman who has worked for adult literacy and other programs to help the black majority, was let out of prison just before she was to get a Reebok human rights award. Both she and Mr. Sisulu were

placed and remain under crippling re-

strictions that keep them from doing

their work. Those are less noticeable

abroad than prison without trial.

Credit for arousing the world's at-tention to state brutalities goes first to brave ind what in appressive societ-ies. They came forward to monitor governments and tell the world: the Helsinki watch group in the U.S.S.R., Black Sash in South Africa, Al Haq in the occupied West Bank and Gaza ... Today their work is amplified by

American private organizations such as Human Rights Watch and the Lawyers Committee for Human Rights. But from El Salvador to Singapore, individual courage is on the line. Many of the human rights monitors

have been jailed, tortured, killed. Why do they do it? They have the vision of a decent society.

Vazif Meilanov was imprisoned in

1980 for demonstrating on behalf of Andre Sakharov. A few weeks ago he was released. A reporter asked if he was grateful to Mr. Gorbachev. He answered: "No, I think he should be grateful to me. It was the positions adopted by dissidents like me that helped to bring a new generation of Soviet politicians to power." The New York Times.

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# The Five **Performed** A Service

By Jim Hoagland

P ARIS —I sometimes wonder why "self-hating" Jews bother. Enough hatred seems to come their way from others to save them that trouble.

The "self-hatred" insult has not yet been hurled publicly at the five American Jews who went to Stockholm to help coax peaceful noises out of a Mr. Y. Arafat, whose last known address is Baghdad, Iraq. But there is a troubling harshness in the vituperation that is beginning to rain down on them.
"The Jews' Jesse Jackson," George

F. Will writes in The Washington Post of group leader Rita Hauser (not a plandit, I think). "Well meaning," says Ben Halpern in the Los Angeles Times, a run-up phrase you use only for people you are about to knee-cap. The group was "used as a cat's paw" in an effort "to predetermine Israel's political future behind Israel's back," adds Mr. Halpern, professor emeritus of Near East studies at Brandeis University. He then appeals to American Jews not to play "matchmaker" be-tween Israel and the PLO.

Mr. Halpern, Mr. Will and other commentators are ostensibly raising the issue of citizens' diplomacy, a question well worth airing. Amateurs jumping into the middle of thorny diplomatic thickets usually do more harm than good. Some of the dangers of private citizens trying to run for-cign policy intrigues are in fact about as go on dayley in the Oliver North Iran-contra trial.

But what really bothers these writers about the actions of Rita Hauser, publisher Stanley Sheinbaum and the others in Stockholm is not that they were sending wrong signals about U.S. intentions or subverting U.S. policy. The problem seems to be that these American Jews were cooperating with the U.S. government in carrying out official U.S. policy, i.e., in getting Mr. Arafat to recognize Israel and renounce terrorism.

It is the substance of that policy that causes the grief to Israel's govemment and to others. And a part of that grief is understandable.

Mr. Arafat's promises are as solid as cotton candy. His "moderation" and his sensitivity to the healing that must be accomplished for there to be peace between Israel and the Palestinians were demonstrated by his onward travels from Stockholm. He went straight to the Stalinist enclave of East. Berlin and then continued on to a meeting and photo opportunity with a Mr. K. Waldheim of Vienna, a forget-ful former clerk in Hitler's army, But on the whole it is better to have

Mr. Arafat make these reluctant promises than not. It forces the Palestinian movement to become more realistic about accepting Israel. It knocks down any fictitious justification that Arab states might try to raise now for not dealing directly with Israel. It requires new thinking on the part of Israel, but not only Israel, about ways to end the occupation of the West Bank and Gaza. And if Mr. Arafat reneges, it is the PLO that will pay the heaviest political price.

derstanding of the Palestinian cause, or who have questioned Israeli policy in Lebanon or elsewhere have been routinely castigated as "self-hating" by those who believe that dissent undermines Israel. But such insults may be losing their coercive force. The cre-ative and independent involvement of American Jews in the Middle East in recent months suggests that they are becoming an important catalyst for

positive change in the region.

The Hauser group is one example.
So is the work done by Jerome Segal,
a University of Maryland research scholar, in urging West Bank Palestinians to shape a doctrine of peaceful coexistence with Israel. Even more significant is the sharp and open reaction by American Jews to the concessions that Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir had agreed to make to ultra-orthodox religious groups to form a "narrow"

government coalition.

Mr. Shamir hesitated to complete the deal because of the American Jewish reaction. When the Reagan administration pulled the Arafat rabbit out of the Stockholm hat, Mr. Shamir backed out on the ultra-orthodox parties and patched together an emergen-cy coalition with the Labor Party to prevent a full-blown crisis from empting with the United States.

American Jews as a community have a unique relationship with Israel. They are respected and generally trusted by a people whose tragic history conditions them to trust no one. They can speak softly and be heard. Asking American Jews to butt out of the Middle East just as a fragile hope blooms is a myopic reaction. Agreeing to do so would be a historic error.

The Washington Post.

## 100, 75 AND 50 YEARS AGO

1888: Foreign Actors NEW YORK - The movement to

exclude foreign actors has received what is likely to be its death blow by the public announcement made by Mr. Joseph Jefferson and Mr. W. J. Florence that they not only have no sympathy with but are strongly opposed to it. Mr. Jefferson says that his name was connected with it by accident and that he considers the movement unwise. Mr. Florence says: "If the American actor is not competent to hold his own against the competi-tion of foreigners he had better go to the wall and hide his head."

1913: An Islands Fund?

CONSTANTINOPLE - The Turkish government has reserved out of the loan from the Bank Perier a sum of 25,000,000 French francs which it refuses to allow the Minister of Finance to enter in the ordinary gov-exament accounts. It is believed that the Committee of Union and Progress wants to employ this sum in an effort to recover the Aegean Islands which were captured by Greece in the recent war.

## 1938: For a Coalition PARIS - A coalition between the

United States, Great Britain, France. and Soviet Russia was advocated by the former Premier Léon Blum yesterday [Dec. 26] in a speech before the French Socialist Congress at Montrouge, Paris suburb, as the solemeans of prevening the totalitarian states — Germany and Italy — from obtaining domination of the world. France, declared the Socialist leader, should act as the link to bring together the democratic Anglo Second powers in a common bloc with the Soviet Union. Mr. Rhun denied that this combination would be an ideological bloc. There was only one sucregoup-ing in the world, he said, and that was the Rome-Berlin axis, which was founded on the principle of the struggle against communism

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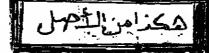
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## **OPINION**

# Take It From This Insider: Moscow's Circus Is Better

By William Safire

M OCKBA — All my old friends in was that I fell from power and then—just as suddenly — have been reinstated as foreign policy adviser to President (former Comrade) Gorbachev.

Unlike Gorbachev in the party, Ogarkov in the army and Chebrikov in the KGB who helped him take over.

He fired Marshal Akhromeyev. Our leading strategic arms expert had to go because he was resisting the troop reduction, just as Marshal Ogarkov had to go a few years before because he demanded when I came home after two decades

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Andropov Circle. When I came home after two decades

as ambassador to Washington, Gorba-chev said, Be my adviser, Anatoli Dobrynin!" He saw me as a useful alterna-tive to Gromyko and the old Brezhnev foreign policy crowd. But I was never personally trusted until three months ago.

That was when Ligachev made his tactical mistake. He assumed I was angry at being pushed aside by Shevard-nadze (who has not a tenth of my experi-ence) and sought my support in putting a stop to the New Thinking.

He said a coup was organized by the party apparat. He claimed the backing not only of Chebrikov at the KGB but also of the Red Army's shirt of staff

also of the Red Army's chief of staff, Marshal Akhromeyev, who was furious at the prospect of a cut of a million troops (reduced to half a million at the last minute). I was offered the Foreign

Ministry. Tempting.
That was when I built my bridge to Mikhail Sergeyevich. A few of us per-sonally warned him of the plot to demote him to an economics post at Novosibirsk. He reacted swiftly, sending Lev Zaikov, his Moscow party chief, to Defense Minister Yazov.

Overnight, two divisions of troops commanded by the generals and colonels who had served under Yazov in the Far East - were moved to the outskirts of Moscow. The coup was aborted.
That led to the Sept. 26 Gorbachev

countercoup. The West noticed the demotion to agriculture of Ligachev, but the reshuffling of positions within the party was only part of it.

For three years, Gorbachev had been

## Officers in the Wings OR the moment, Mr. Gorbachev ap-

pears to have solidified his grip over the armed forces. Insofar as he can make that achievement stick and carry off the troop cuts he announced in New York, it bodes well for a productive conventional arms control dialogue with the Bush ad-ministration. It is doubtful, however, that he has succeeded in co-opting the mili-tary. More likely be has planted the seeds of ill will among many sectors of the officer corps, whose leaders have fallen back on sullen acceptance and a quiet taking of names against any future chance to settle scores should Mr. Gorbachev's political fortunes begin to falter.

 Benjamin S. Lambeth, of the Rand Corporation's National Defense Research Institute, in the Los Angeles Times.

superior technology in the arming of conventional forces. (Clever how he played those two marshals against each other.)

The Red Army still gets over one-fourth of our national product; to reduce costs without cutting strength, Gorbachev announced a 10 percent troop reduction—for not muscle and more than duction — fat, not muscle, and more than offset by the dividing of NATO.

Ogarkov and Akhromeyev are brilliant leaders, capable of making political trou-ble, which is why they are out. Marshal Yazov is a dullard disciplinarian, and he brought in his Far East deputy, Moi-seyev, practically a boy, to head the army. These two will follow Gorbachev blindly, because if he is ousted the Red Army of the Unemployed will come after them.

Having silenced army grumbling, he turned on the KGB, his original power base. There was Viktor Chebrikov, a party man whom Andropov put in charge of the KGB in 1982, and who a couple of years later distributed the damaging cor-ruption dossiers on Romanov and Grishin, removing them as rivals to Gorba-chev. Now he's out, or off to the side.

In charge of the KGB now is a real spy, Kryuchkov, a member of Andropoy's Circle from the start, as loyal to Gorbachev as any of those types are. The espionage "professionals" are de-lighted to be rid of Chebrikov; Kryuchkov in charge means more spies in the field overseas, but it also means the removal of a threat to Gorbachev at home. Tens of thousands of KGB troops are being transferred to the army, where they can be better controlled.

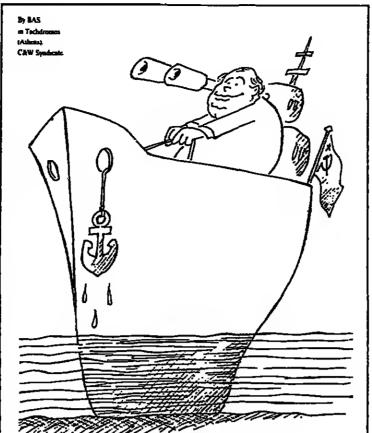
This is a political balancing act better than any in the Moscow circus. Do I miss life in Washington? Yes, to some extent. I see that Bill

Webster's unhappy deputy at CIA, the professional spy Gates — their Kryucbkov — may be swung over to be deputy at the NSC, replaced by Bush's old CIA colleague, the upward-bound Lilley, Su-perpower presidents these days like an old pro beading intelligence.

But if I were there, I'd have to help

Armand Hammer get his pardon from Reagan for some Watergate misdemeanor, so he can then get an honorary knighthood from Mrs, Thatcher. That's the sort of time-wasting that makes me glad to be here in Moscow, especially now that I'm recognized as a loyal Gorbachev man and can watch the factioobalancing from the inside.

Pity I can't have louch with Henry any more. He'd appreciate this. The New York Times.



# Not Raised to Be Pregnant Unwed

S PARTANBURG, South Carolina — She was young, barely 15. Reared in the bosom of a loving but protective family, she was innocent in the ways of the world. She had never spent a Satur-day shopping with friends, never spent a Sunday swimming at a lake.

Her dress was closely circumscribed, as was her behavior. Slumber parties and sock hops were not a part of her life. Dates were not allowed.
But if she had resentments, she never

complained. She seemed to accept her life, doing her best to emulate her moth-

one suspects that neighbors, who tend to do such things, frequently praised ber, holding her up as a model to teen-age daughters who might have been less complaisant. Quiet. Devout. Dutiful.

Surely not the kind to become a statistic: another unwed, pregnant teen. But she did.

Dismayed, her parents bombarded her with questions: Where had they, and she, gone wrong? They hadn't, she said. When they demanded the name of the man involved, they met a stone wall, the first they had ever encountered from her. She refused to name any man.

Defeated, they decided on a course of action: To preserve family bonor and their daughter's good name, they would ask a friend to marry her. He was older -more of their generation than hers and could be depended upon to keep By Frances Upchurch

secret the fact that the child was not his. He seriously considered the request. The young woman was well mannered and beaotiful and, despite the age dif-ference, be already had considered her as a possible mate. Because she knew how to manage a household, she definitely could be an asset to him as he worked at building his business.

Bot practical considerations aren't always the deciding factors. He was a proud man, and the reality of her preg-

#### MEANWHILE

nancy bothered him. He took longer than ber parents would have liked in making his decision. Finally he agreed, and plans were set in motion. It wasn't exactly a shotgun wedding, but it was more burried than was considered socially correct.

However, it enabled the young mother-to-be to go from one sheltered situation to another, unexposed to sharptongued gossip — if she heard any, she ignored it — and to be continuously cared for by people who loved her. But as for any woman in such a situation, life got no easier. For her it got harder. As her due date drew near, the cou-

ple planned to travel out of town. If the baby were to he born elsewhere, perhaps people wouldn't count the months

they had been married and talk so openly about an "early" baby. Their hopes were dashed. Caught on

the road, in a seasonal crush of travelers, she went into labor. The town had no hospital; no doctor was oear. The man who had come to her rescue with marriage would also have to see her through childbirth. Not for him the relative anonymity of a fathers' waiting room, the

freedom to turn his back on her pain.

Alone, they brought her son into the world in conditions that would have made her mother cry with shame — not because of her daughter, but for her. And word got out. No matter that

they were strangers in a strange town. No matter that they would just as soon not have been the objects of scrutiny. People talked, and people came.

People talked, and people came.
Rich people, poor people.
And they brought gifts.
Touched by the couple's obvious plight, they asked no questions but did what they could, offered what they had.
And the mother smilingly accepted it.
Life would get better, she knew. She also expected it to get worse.
But miracles would happen, too. The first one already had: that anybody had believed her story at all.

believed her story at all.

Her name was Mary. She was a virgin.

The writer is life-styles editor of the Spartanburg Herald-Journal. This essay was distributed by The New York Times News Service.

## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

A government's first responsibility is

to its own citizens. The pre-restriction rules were great for us in the West, and

for many East bloc citizens, but a mar-

ketplace freedom that was of little bene-

PETE HENAULT.

Bad Tölz, West Germany.

fit to the people of Czechoslovakia.

Teach Them Not to Point

Regarding "Attila at the Peace Demon stration" (Meanwhile, Dec. 15):

As a pacifist who has owned and used

guns for sport since I was I2 years old, I

was shocked by the flippant attitude dis-played by Meredith Tax. I was taught

that one should never point any weapon,

The reason for this became painfully

obvious to me when I was shot in the

hand by a BB gun. I still bear the scar

from this 25 years later. So, yes, let's teach our children the difference between fan-

tasy and reality. But let's also teach them

oot to point weapons at people. The ar-mies of the world will do their job of teaching them when and how to do that.

real or toy, at another person.

## What Signal at USIA?

George F. Will, in "Gorbachev's Fine logans Leave Out a Key Word" (Dec. 15), observes that the right choice for head of the United States Information Agency could be an important signal in favor of "nationalist articulation in Eastern Europe." He suggests Jeane

Kirkpatrick for the job. Mrs. Kirkpatrick would be a very questionable candidate. She has urged the U.S. government to distinguish between regimes which are "totalitarian" (i.e., Communist) and regimes which are "authoritarian" (such as Nicaragua under Anastasio Somoza or Haiti under Jean-Claude Duvalier). She sees the former as nothing less than intolerable, whereas the

There are somehow only regrettable.

There are persons living under authoritarian regimes who might find this distinction a bit legalistic. Mrs. Kirkpatrick's ardent defense of it ought to be sufficient to disqualify her from any highly visible foreign policy post. To appoint her head of the USIA would indeed he a signal, but the wrong one. ROLF HAMBURGER

Neuilly-sur-Seine, France. Prague's Comrade Scrooge

In response to " 'Tis No Season to Be an East Bloc Shopper in Czechoslavakia' (Dec. 7) by John Tagliabue:

ers flocking to Prague, exchanging cur-rency on the black market and bringing bome crystal, jewelry, records and oth-er high-quality products at one-sixth their price in the West. My wife and I spent four days in Prague oot long ago and returned to the West thinking that the Czechoslovak government had served its citizens well with the new export restrictions and had little choice but to impose them.

Mr. Tagliabue began his article by saying that "Comrade Scrooge" had showed up in Czechoslovkia. The Voice of America said that the restrictions demonstrated the failure of East bloc economics. Both opinions may be valid, but they give a poor picture of the reality.

We found shops and department stores surprisingly well stocked, and crowded with shoppers finding most of what they wanted. Lines for shopping carts in the larger markets and for highquality produce at the small private stands were long, but other lines -except for the silly three-line pick-out, pay and pick-up system — were little worse than here in the West,

We have friends in East Berlin and Karl-Marx-Stadt who looked forward to their trips to Czechoslavakia so they could buy the things they could not get at home. It may have been a failure of East bloc economics, but in the same way that the failure of Western economics is demonstrated by affluent Mexi-cans shopping in San Diego and Dallas. It does oot demonstrate a failure of Czech economics, but rather a success. Neither the Voice of America nor Mr. Tagliabue mentioned the Western-

PAUL J. BOLLER. Zumikon, Switzerland.

## Kenyon College's Outsiders

Regarding "When Outsiders Give College Exams" (American Topics, Nov. 23) Oberlin isn't the only college in Ohio

to use outside examiners. As a former faculty member at Kenyon College, I can attest that they also are used at that bberal arts college for honors students in all academic departments. This is a much debated yet respected characteris-tic of Kenyon College, and one of which its faculty is very proud.

FRANCISCO BATALLER M. Waterloo, Belgium.

## **Blood-Chilling Delays**

The literal meaning of sang froid came bome to me when I read under the headline "Paris Metro Riders Grow Impatient" (Travel Update, Dec. 11) that during the subway strike "electricity oo some lines had to be switched off for fear of people touching the live rail, causing further delays to trains." What about the possibility that people might lose their lives while doing so?

> ELENA MELTZER New York.

Mickey's Maker, Too It is gratifying that Mickey Mouse is to be recognized by the United Nations

as "an emissary of goodwill to the world's children" (People, Nov. 3), but would it oot be better to award a special Nobel prize to the late Walt Disney for all the joy and laughter his creation gave the world in the past sixty years? J. B. S. MONTGOMERIE.

Helensburgh, Scotland,

## Writings on the Wall

Regarding the report "London Fights to Tame Its Spray-Can Artists" (Oct. 15): One thing your excellent feature on the graffiti in Loodon's subway brought forcibly home to me: We New Yorkers can be proud of the recovery of our public transport system. Compared to the unreliability, dirt, danger and high

fares in London, the New York subways

and buses are wonderful.

FRANCIS SCHWARZENBERGER.

I would advise Londoners and municipal service people the world over not to combat graffiti bot to accommodate it. If special boards were made available for graffiti, and casual artists were urged to use them, cleaning costs would decrease. Everyone would be pleased: the artists, the authorities and the public. AMOT KISCH.

London.

## GENERAL NEWS

# Israeli Settlements Soar on West Bank

By Joel Brinkley

New York Times Service ELI, Israeli-Occupied West Bank — The brightly colored road sign on the highway to Nablus says: "Come Visit Eli. We're Build-

And up a dirt road, 20 Jewish families live in pleasant tract homes not much larger than trail-

ing stones and firebombs at Jewish settlers' cars and buses every day. Jewish settlers are moving into new homes in the West Bank just as fast as they can be built. And settler leaders believe that

PLO will only increase the number of Jews moving to the West Bank. "We are moving into high gear in our protests and efforts to attract people to come out here," said Yis-

Mr. Medad, a settler himself, adds with reference to the West Bank region, "A Jewish presence in

Not even the killing of a West Bank settler by a Palestinian shep-herd early this month seems likely to dissuade hard-line Israelis from

kov Farag, is likely to prompt even more Israelis to become settlers. "Since the '30s, whenever a Jew-ish settler is assassinated, we have

ership of the Palestinian uprising said one big reason that the Palestinians continue to stone and firebomb cars is that they are facing "the problem of the settlers."

He continued, "We have to keep

word for the uprising, echoed the views of many thousand Israeli settlers when he said: "I think the intifada has had the opposite effect. It has made people more deter-mined, more committed."

Twenty more settlers' homes are under construction, and 18 of those are already taken, said Hannah Avital, who has been on the settlement's new resident "absorption

Even here, deep in the West Bank, she said, "We're not having any trouble attracting people. Peo-ple are moving here because of the With the Palestinian uprising in its second year, and Arabs throw-

the U.S. decision to talk with the

rael Medad, an official of the Tehiya Party, which advocates in-creased settlement.

Judea and Samaria is the only way to prevent a Palestinian state."

moving to the territories. If past examples are any indica-tion, the death of the settler, Yaa-

answered with more settlers," said Yisrael Harel, chairman of the Council of Jewish Settlements in Judea, Samaria and Gaza. "That is what will happen in this case." An Arab who is close to the lead-

Commitment may not be the only reason; settlers get large goverument subsidies for the purchase prices of their homes.

But whatever the motivations, statistics suggest that Mr. Harel is correct. Since the uprising began, only 100 families have left the territories because of the violence. But 2,500 new families have moved in.

On taking over from the Labor Party leadership of Shimon Peres in 1986, the government of Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir decided that the settlement program would be carried forward, though with a limit of six new settlements a year, as agreed to when the governing coalition with the Labor Party was created two years earlier. One of the prickliest issues in the

final days of the recent negotiations to form a new Israeli govern-ment was whether new settlements would be built over the next four Mr. Shamir promised the Tehiya Party that Likud would authorize

the building of 40 new settlements; the Labor Party wants none. In the end, the two parties agreed that up to eight would be built. But the settlers doubt that they will get



At Eli, two Israeli children watch the construction of settlement

# Israel and Egypt Widen Peace Bid

JERUSALEM — Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir may ask the United States and the Soviet Union to sponsor talks for a Middle East settlement as part of a peace initiative, an aide said Monday.

But, the aide, Yossi Ahimeir, said Mr. Shamir would set as a condition to such a proposal Moscow's renewing the diplomatic ties with Israel that were broken during the 1967 Middle East War.

Mr. Shamir's proposal comes as President Hosni Muharak of Egypt reportedly is considering a trip to Israel to try to advance stalemans would be the first Arab leader to visit be the first Arab leader to visit despite government opposition to recent U.S. contacts with the PLO.

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The Israeli ambassador in Cairo, Shimon Shamir, was meeting with Egyptian officials to determine racii border, Reuters reported. hether a Mubarak visit was possible, said another spokesman for Prime Minister Shamir.

Thomas R. Pickering, the U.S. ambassador to Israel, said in Tel Aviv that such a summit meeting was "certainly something the U.S. would encourage and welcome." He said the United States also

"We welcome a general process on Mr. Shamir "would like to renew the part of the government of Israel

The army reported Monday that troops had killed three Arab gunmen in an overnight clash in south-

An army statement said the clash took place outside the village of Mus a-Jabel, near the Israeli border kibbutz at Manara. Israeli forces suffered no casualties, according to the statement. Israel patrols a self-declared "security zone" north of

In Beirut, the radical Palestinian Fatah-Revolutionary Command, led by Abu Nidal, said it had carried out an attack on "a Zionist settlement built over the rains of the Arab Manara village."

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## ARTS/LEISURE

# Fake Jewelry: A Way to Wear Dreams

L bangles and beads. Those words express the tinsel glitter of women decked out like the proverbial Christmas tree.

The frankly fake is variously de-scribed as "costume," "fashion" or "fantasy" jewelry. Fifty years ago, Life magazine christened it "Junk Jewelry." Under a photograph of bold and colorful geegzws (all looking astoundingly up-to-date), the 1938 article referred to "a flashy fad for simple styles."

There is not much new under the gilt sun-ray pin. But costume jewel-ry has turned respectable — both for those who can afford the real thing, and for jewelry historians who have discovered that the vogue for faux bijoux is as old as ancient

Egyptian glass beads. The problem with taking costume jewelry seriously is in defining the term. A plastic pin shaped like a kidney bean is a decorative

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set equivalents. Yet the intricate workmanship and lavish settings are identical. Was Coco Chanel the first lady of fashion jewelry when what she actually did was to copy the precious jewels heaped on her by her Russian aristocratic lov-

Vivienne Becker, in an ebullient and intelligent study, breaks out of her own parameters of non-precious jewelry with the endearing excuse that "costume jewelry has always been about breaking rules, traditions and boundaries of reali-

Becker's prose drips with adjecjoke. But when it was designed by tives as France's demimonde once

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Schiaparelli and inspired by Salva-dripped with glass paste. She con-HIS is the season for baubles, dor Dali, it must be art. A pair of veys vividly — in words and a 18th-century chandelier earrings wealth of pictures - the changing with blush pink pear drops dan- styles of ornamentation and the sogling from sparkling fleurettes, are ciological shifts and fashion move-worthless compared to their gen-ments. They produced Victorian sentimentality, sleek Art Déco modernism and the sophisticated brassy glitter of the 1940s "cocktail

style." Becker is also sharp and accurate on costume jewelry's unsung heroes: Georges-Frédéric Strass who invented paste in 1730 and whose name is still used on the Continent to describe today's "twinkling glass jewels;" Fulco di Verdura and Jean Schlumberger who designed respectively for Chanel and Schiaparelli, before gaining public recognition as real jewelers.

What indeed is "real" and false," when pearls are seen as the fruits of nature - yet fakes get their luster from crushed fish scales? "Fabulous fakes" were intermingled with gems by Renaissance royalty (as with today's Princesses Diana and Caroline). Imitation jewelry was, until this





same craftsmen and techniques.

Piguet, has been imitated in costume jewelry.

Jane Mulvagh avoids such conundrums by announcing that costume jewelry is an entirely 20th-century phenomenon." Her book spans the historical period of

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century, sold as a lower-price line Vogue magazine, from whose arby fine jewelers and made by the chives she presents visual material that is more illuminating than the text. Her claim that "the stigma of fake attached to costume jewelry" was challenged for the first time by Poiret, Chanel and Schiaparelli, is shown by Becker's more scholarly work to be a fashion myth.

Illustrations from Vogue by Be-nito and Lepape in the 1920s, and of decorative hair combs from the Edwardian era and of Dior's New Look romantic jewelry, all support Mulvagh's thesis that jewelry is bracelet in glove with fashion.

But it was ever thus. Decoration — in diamonds or diamante, gold or gilt — is always allied to clothing and bound up with social change. Costume jewelers have greater financial freedom and now produce for a mass market, but they cannot necessarily claim a creative cutting edge. Much of the 20th-century costume jewelry — like the much-copied Cartier panther pins — has followed lines forged by fine jewel-

Innovations (as in clothing) came with the discovery of synthetic materials, making 1960s Op Art jewelry original in both style and conception. Becker quotes 1960s designer Paco Rabanne saving: "I wanted to create jewels that looked like the paintings of the period, huge, mad and uninhibited."

Here is Keeneth lay I was, who took most of his ideas from di Verdura and the 1930s, quoted by Mulvagh:"In 1963 I invented costume jewelry for the beautiful people was lionized by them and became one of the most splendidly beautiful of them - a genuine '60s char-

Both authors accept too readily the fantasies of contemporary creators. The contribution of Yves Saint Laurent will surely be regarded by future historians as seminal

Op Art influenced Ingeborg Sant' Angelo to create "architecjewels" made of Lucite for Richelien of Paris, above; Marlene Dietrich and other Hollywood stars enhanced the glamour of jewelry.

to this time. The craft jewelry revival of the 1970s deserves greater experience. And the poor quality of most of the current Dynastytype glitter will consign it to the

But costume jewelry deserves to be celebrated as the way that most of us can buy and wear our dreams.

"Fabulous Fakes, The History of Fantasy and Fashion Jewellery," Vi. vienne Becker, Grafton Books.

"Costume Jewelry in Vogue, Jane Mulvagh, Thames & Hudson,



# Hamburg 'Fidelio' Foils Harnoncourt

By James Helme Sutcliffe

HAMBURG - The well-de-served admiration that Nikolans Harnoncourt has carned durreconstructions of performance practice has just been put to a cruel test in Hamburg, where he applied to Beethoven's "Fidelio" the same thought-through, scholarly techniques that have enlivened his interpretations ranging from Monte-verdi through Bach and Handel to Mozart.

It was the second new staging to appear at the Hamburg State Opera since the new directorial team of Peter Ruzicka, the intendant, and Gerd Albrecht, the general music director, took over from Rolf Liebermann. They introduced a production team from the legiti-mate stage. Peter Palitzsch and de-signer Herbert Kapplmüller. All were boosed for their pains, an experience — to judge from Harnon-court's facial expression — both new and unsettling, but not entirely unjustified.

As usual he had spent much time comparing Beethoven's sketches and the three extant versions of the opera - the failure of 1805, and the revisions of 1806 and 1814 and wondered (according to his meticulously documented program interview) if perhaps Beethoven had not been persuaded by his friends to cut too much of his work in order to create the successful 1814 two-act version.

About some things Harnoncourt repertoire from works of the 17th though the singers had forgotten was absolutely right, similar points and 18th centuries there was room their lines. that Leonard Bernstein made in his for his clarifying, analytic ap-recording: crisper string playing, proach. By moving into the 19th meticulous attention to note dma-tions and to levels of instrumental foot squarely into a period when sharper accents, and his omission of of the "tradition" established by Gustav Mahler in Vienna of insert-

big choral finale.

dynamics, springier rhythms, composers knew what they wanted and left less and less room for musicological speculation.
Then again, Harnoncourt coning the "Leonore" Overture No.3 ducts without a baton, feeling that during the scene change between the human hand can better shape the Act 2 dungeon scene and the the progress of a musical perfor-But Harnoncourt's reasoning as Hamburg Philharmonic, unsure as to the tempos here, though entirely to whether to play on the beat (as

By moving into the 19th century, Harnoncourt has moved into a period when composers knew what they wanted and

logical on paper, not only broke with theatrical practice but in the event led to some of the quirkiest, most exaggerated tempo contrasts I have ever encountered in the opera, problems that already reared their metronomic heads at the opening of the overture and continued in Marzelline's aria. Harnoncourt gave almost grotesque contrast to the moderately paced and later slightly faster sections of the aria. It was characteristic of the whole

evening and often created breathing problems for the singers. As long as the conductor chose his

mance. But the result was fatal. The

left less room for musicological speculation.

American orchestras do) or after the beat (as German and Austrian orchestras do) often delivered imprecise ensemble. And the singers often seemed to be chafing at the bit, longing for a tempo closer to the standard interpretation, particularly in the dungeon scene. Palitzsch, staging his first opera, and Kapplmüller emphasized val-

ues as quirky as the musical ones. As was expected, their "ideas" were mostly limited to the spoken dialogue, cut, transposed, repeated and often shot through with pregnant pauses that sounded as

The sublime Act I "canonic" quartet was sung while its participants consumed soup in Rocco's "Abscheulicher!" had to be delive! ered as she picked her way downstage between the ties of a blue neon railway track. And as all drama producers assume that opera audiences are particularly dult-witted, she had to strip off her uniform. jacket to prove that she was really a bosomy lady, not the youth Fidelio we had thought her to be.

And why was Florestan shown -crimson-robed Rocco and Leonore on either side — as a crucifision tableau in Dürer style? Poor Josef Protschka sang the cruel tessitura with breathtaking ease, but as his Florestan was taped to a cross and clothed only in a loincloth, nobody listened. Harald Stamm, done up like a French Revolutionary dandy in red and yellow ruffs and feathers, had difficulty conveying the humanitarian dignity in the role of Don Fernando. Ana Pusar (Leonore), Kriszina Laki (Marzelline). Matti Sahminen (Rocco) and Kurt Streit (Jaquino) all sang well, but most at odds with Harnoncourt's tempos was the shallow baritone voice of Hartmut Welker as the evil Pizarro, a paper ogre if ever there was one. I am told he entered on a horse, but it was not visible from where I sat.

James Helme Sutcliffe is a Berlin-

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From Moorings

Compiled by Our Staff From Dispute ABERDEEN, Scotland — Brit-ain's North Sea oil output will be

cut by between 10 and 12 percent

for weeks because a huge storage tanker broke from its moorings over the weekend, Shell Oil Co.

After the vessel began drifting on Saturday, three North Sea fields— Fulmar, Auk and Clyde—were

effectively closed because of the

absence of a collecting point for

"The incident shut down three platforms, which represent 10 to 12 percent of the U.K. North Sea oil

production," a Shell spokesman said. "There is now no way of

bringing the oil on shore."

He added, "At the moment it is

weeks, probably months."
British oil output already was

about 10 percent below normal be-cause of the explosion of the Piper

Alpha oil rig in July. The loss of the platform closed the Piper Alpha

field as well as the Claymore and

Scapa fields, though work has pro-

gressed on returning the latter two

Although North Sea production

will continue to cover British con-

sumption, the country's trade bal-

ance may be significantly affected

by the reduced output, an analyst

in London said.

Sales of British oil products to-taled £9 billion (\$16.2 billion at the

current exchange rate) in 1985, but they will barely exceed £2 billion

this year because of lower prices

and output.

The fields have a combined ontput of about 210,000 barrels per day. This amounts to around £1.75

million of lost daily output.

In the accident Saturday, the

Fulmar, a 200,000 metric ton con-

verted tanker, broke from its moor-

ings and drifted for more than five

hours with 34 men on board, al-

most colliding with an oil platform

with 150 people on board. The Fulmar had 100 metric tons

The vessel, which has no engines

or steering, was taken under tow

later the same day by tugboats. It was being taken to the Norwegian

port of Stavanger for repair and

was expected to arrive there on

fed by pipeline into the vessel.

which was moored 150 miles east of

The spokesman said the three fields shut down automatically

Shell operates Fulmar and Auk

while Clyde is run by Britoil PLC,

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(Reuters, AFP)

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## INTERNATIONAL STOCK MARKETS

## Foreigners Could Crowd Yen Bond Markets in 1989

By TATSUO ITOH

OKYO — Abundant liquidity, attractive conditions and a desire for a high profile here will make more foreign financial institutions and government units issue yen bonds in Japan next year, according to underwriting and banking sources.

"Debtors who have stayed away from Tokyo are gradually turning their eyes to the advantages of the Tokyo market," a

manager at a major broker said.

Rising interest rates elsewhere have made borrowing costs in Japan look relatively cheap, the sources said.

Issues of yen-denominated bonds in Japan by nonresidents

Japanese investors

on their home turf.

rose this calendar year, espe-cially in October, because of the strength of the Japan gov-ernment bond market.

Foreigners want to be visible to As of Dec. 23, nonresidents

had issued a total of 741 bil-lion yen (\$5.93 billion) in do-mestic bonds in 1988, up from 498 billion yen in all of 1987. Private placement yen bonds in Japan by nonresidents accounted for 166.2 billion yen

as 20 co-underwriters.

this year, more than double the 77.5 billion in 1987, underwriting That compared with yen bond issues in the Euromarket total-

ing 1.8 trillion yen in the first 10 months of 1988, down from 2.9 trillion in all of 1987.

In 1989, the ratio of Euromarket yen bond issues to domestic yen bonds issued by foreigners should be about 2 to 1, compared with around 3 to 1 this year, one analyst at an underwriting firm Thanks to a booming economy, Japanese institutions and individuals are flush with cash to invest. Despite the relatively

low interest rates, they remain attracted to yen bonds for their strong price performance and because the underlying strength of the yen minimizes foreign exchange risks, banking sources said. In Japan, even in private-placement bond issues, the demand for bonds and the desire of lead underwriters to give everyone a piece of the action is such that new issues can often have as many

HE STRONG demand and the spreading around of the risk means some borrowers who might have problems floating issues overseas find a ready market in Japan, according to banking sources. Borrowers have also been drawn to Japan by the recent removal of a major obstacle to quick issues, underwriting sources said.

In the past, foreign borrowers complained that it took about one month to issue yen bonds in Japan, making it hard for issuers to react to changing conditions.

Last October, the Finance Ministry changed that situation by

introducing a shelf registration system.

Borrowers can now get advance authorization to issue up to a set amount of bonds over a certain period — for example, 50 billion yen-worth over two years. During that period and within the preset limits, specific issues can be made within a week of

Nine government-related foreign financial units have so far registered to issue a total of up to 990 billion in yen in bonds over

Underwriting sources said the issues are likely to be well subscribed, given the high ratings of the borrowers. Foreign governmental units and institutions come to Japan for

yen bond issues for reasons of image and prestige as well.

As Japanese companies and institutions expand their direct and indirect investments overseas, foreigners want to be visible to the sources of those funds on their home turf, sources at major money brokerages said.

## Japanese Car Curbs Said to End Soon

Automakers Say Yen's Sharp Rise Has Cut Need for Official Controls

By Doron P. Levin New York Times Service

DETROIT — Despite a large automotive trade surplus favoring Japan, there are signs that the voluntary agreements that have restrained Japanese car exports to the United States for the last eight years may end

The decision is not expected to be announced until February, but reports have appeared in the Japanese press in the last two months saying that the Ministry of International Trade and Industry is considering dropping the restraints, which expire on April 1.

The Automobile Manufacturers Association of Japan has pressed its call for an end to the restraints, pointing to the rebound of U.S. car manufacturers since the early 1980s.

"The restraints have outlived their usefulness," said a U.S.-based

executive of a Japanese car manufacturer. "Who's kidding whom? The restraints have caused consumers to pay higher prices."

The U.S. government, which is not a party to the restraint agreement

between Japan and its automotive manufacturers, maintains a neutral position on restraints, said a Commerce Department spokesman On Dec. 12, the Japanese government announced a 37.9 percent increase in the dollar value of its monthly trade surplus with the United States, bolstered by a 16.6 percent increase in the automotive trade

The trade numbers, however, do not measure the actual number of Japanese cars imported, which has declined.

Economists say the dollar figure of the trade surplus is higher because of currency fluctuations, higher prices for Japanese cars and the growing volume of automotive merchandise that is not counted in car shipments. An economist for one of the Big Three U.S. manufacturers, who declined to be identified, said that Japanese cars assembled in the United States have an average Japanese content of about 50 percent, including major parts like engines and transmissions, which are not counted under

the voluntary restraints.

Hence, the 720,000 units from so-called transplants means an economic value of about 360,000 additional Japanese imports. Although that adds to the U.S. trade deficit, it is not counted for

urposes of the restraints. The Japanese in recent years have also been shipping more-expensive

models to the United States. The trend appears to be on the rise as Toyota Motor Corp. and Nissan Motor Corp. have recently joined Honda Motor Corp. in adding luxury franchises to their regular lines of cars.

The trade numbers raised some speculation that the Japanese government might decide to keep the restraints, but officials of the Big Three auto makers and Japan's automotive trade group have declined to pre-dict what the Trade Ministry will do.

Analysts and economists had incorrectly predicted that the restraints would be dropped last year, while Japanese vehicle sales were declining and ear exports were running below the permitted level.

But now the Japanese industry is in its second year of falling car exports to the United States.

Because of higher Japanese car prices stemming from the fall of the dollar, Japan's nine automobile manufacturers shipped only 2.14 million of the 2.3 million cars they were allowed to export to the United States in the year that ended on April 1, 1988.

The relative weakness of the dollar has depressed shipments further this year. From April to October, car shipments from Japan totaled 1.27 million units. compared with about 1.45 million umis for the same period last year.

But not all Japanese car manufacturers have fallen short of the import limits.

A Honda spokesman said the company met its quota last year and would probably import every car it could this fiscal year.

Scott Merlis, an analyst for Morgan Stanley & Co.

difficult to say bow long the oilin New York, said be believed that the Japanese
fields will be closed, but it could be government might reapportion the limits, shifting units from companies that were not shipping at their allowed level to those that could sell more cars than were now being permitted.

The robust health of the Big Three manufacturers remains the most important reason for believing the Japanese government might drop the restraints, said

EC Sets Duties

On Cassettes of

Asian Makers

Agence France-Presse

an Community will impose provisional anti-dumping du-

ties on South Korean and

Hong Kong videocassettes,

the 12-country group's Offi-cial Journal said Monday.

The move is being made to

help EC manufacturers burt

by the drop in prices on the

European market. The ECs

executive Commission said in

the regulation published in the

journal that the most common

videocassette, the VHS E180, cost only half as much in 1987 as in 1985.

To "prevent any worsening' of the harm to EC manufacture

ers, the commission is setting anti-dumping levies ranging up

to 59.3 percent for cassettes made by Hanny Magnetics of Hong Kong. Other hard-hit

makers are Magnetic Enter-

prise of Hong Kong, 20.5 per-cent; Swire Pacific Ltd.'s Swire

Magnetics of Hong Kong, 11.3

percent; and Gold Star Co. of

The measure applies for a

maximum of four months but

South Korea, 10.8 percent.

could be extended.

BRUSSELS -- The Europe-

An assembly plant for the Honda Civic CRX. Japanese carmakers are calling for an end to the voluntary restraints that have limited their exports to the United States since the early 1980s.

# Hong Kong Fears a Chinese Inflation Invasion

By Coleen Geraghty International Herald Tribune
HONG KONG — Untrain-

meled growth in China is threatening to fuel a dangerous inflationary spiral here, and Beijing's efforts to control the situation are affecting local businesses with joint venture projects on the mainland.

Rising consumer price inflation in Hong Kong, in part imported from China, may also erode Hong Kong's ability to compete against other newly industrialized economies of East and Southeast Asia, all of which enjoy substantially lower inflation and higher rates of growth, economists and executives indicated.

Just as China's growth has bene-fited Hong Kong's economy in the last few years, so China's runaway. inflation - now at 30 percent in some cities - endangers the territory's prosperity now.

Through food imported from China, through the growing num-ber of Hong Kong-owned factories based on the mainland and through the millions of Chinese laborers who cross the border each day to work in Hong Kong, Chinese infla-tion also crosses the border. An annualized 8.1% increase in

Hong Kong consumer prices dur-ing the third quarter is blamed primarily on domestic factors, such as strong consumer demand, an over-heated property market and esca-lating wage rates, rather than the pressure of high-priced imports from China. But if Beijing fails to bring China's economy under con-trol in early 1989, Hong Kong may suffer more serious consequences. suffer more serious consequences.

"If China cannot bring inflation under control early next year, it will become a problem for Hong Kong," said Vincent Cheng, chief economist for Hongkong & Shang-hai Banking Corp. "Our economy



Gordon Wu; Worried about

relies on the price stability of Chinese imports."

Inflation fears weigh most heavi-ly on Hong Kong-based investors with joint venture projects in China. Local manufacturers who built factories across the border to ex-

ploit China's lower wage rates must now contend with escalating production costs and raw material Others currently in the process

of establishing joint ventures face the prospect of long construction delays or cancellation, as Beijing attempts to weed out those projects considered extrançous or inadequately financed, executives said,

Hong Kong's business community has been the top investor in China since 1979, when the country reopened its doors to foreign capital. Of the \$12 billion invested by high costs of building materials. foreigners through August this year, Hong Kong accounted for about 50 percent.

Production sites on the mainland have become crucial to the survival of the territory's toys, textiles and electronics industries, and thus to

See INFLATION, Page 8

## 7 African States Raise Rates to Curb Outflows Mr. Quattara indicated the move Africa "would be tantamount un-Africa "would be tantamount under present circumstances to establishing an association of the muti-

ABIDJAN, Ivory Coast - In a move aimed at stemming capital flight to Europe, the Central Bank of West African States is boosting its normal discount rate by one point and its preferential discount

Retroactive to Friday, the normal discount rate is 9.5 percent and the preferential rate 7.5 percent.

The bank's new governor, Alassane Ouattara of Ivory Coast, an-

cials later supplied the exact rates.
The institution has its headquarters in Dakar, Senegal, and serves as the central bank for the seven members of the West African Monetary Union. They are Benin, Bur-kina Faso, Ivory Coast, Niger, Mali, Senegal and Togo.

can capital at home, especially but "an African currency has to be be sufficiently objective in analysis

Governor of the Central Bank of West African States

since private banks have long of- credible." He noted that the CFA

Since 1948, France has guaranteed

■ Pressure on Franc Zone

Fund and the World Bank "have to

The international lending agencies bave been putting pressure on the African franc zone for a devalu-

economic presence in Africa is shrinking. After dropping steadily in the 1980s, French trade with the bloc of countries that use the Afri-

## The New York Times reported earlier from Casablanca, Morocco:

ation, as export earnings have dropped from such commodities as cocoa and coffee.

The zone went into a trade deficit in 1985 for the first time.

The market may have to wait

until mid-January or later for new factors, since it does not expect

U.S. President-elect George Bush

In the meantime, dealers said big

1986-1990

situation, ONT has drawn up a plan for updating, modernising and developing lelecommunications in the Cote d'Ivoire for 1988, the objectives of which are as

Production and logistics: to update

Starting from these different objectives

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enginde EAST.

Each of these antennas also permits transmission of a TV channel by a video

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3rd phase: in 2000. Establishment of 15

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Alassane Onattara,

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Mr. Quattara also said that trying to create a joint currency for all
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# **Dollar Finishes Little Changed in Tokyo**

TOKYO — The dollar closed \$1.8045 from \$1.8015 at the finish the year. little changed on Monday after fluctuating narrowly in very thin

markets remaining closed for the Christmas holidays, dealers said that there was no incentive to push the dollar substantially in either

Many added, moreover, that with no major economic data scheduled for release this week, dollar trading should probably re-main light until trading resumes in

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L'AMBROISIE -Tél.: 42 78 51 45 The U.S. currency eased slightly from the opening level on selling among investment trusts to bedge to outline his policy on cutting the U.S. trade and budget deficits until after his inauguration on Jan. 20. U.S.-Japan interest rate differentials should continue to support the

Most dealers said they have al-

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# MINISTRY OF POSTS AND

TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLANS FOR UPDATING AND **DEVELOPING TELECOMMUNICATIONS:** 

Based on the overall plan prepared for the period 1985-2005 and taking into account the constantly increasing demand, technoingical developments and the economic tion, ONT has drawn up a plan for

the existing network by modernising and augmenting the equipment, and developing local. Interurban and International tele-"CONSAT" Project: This is a national linkcontinunications links with a view to improving the flow of telecommunications traffic and the quality of service. To satisfy the ever-increasing demand for telephones, telex transmission of data.

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Treasury has permanently available finan-clal resources of about 3 billion F CFA, and is therefore in a healthy state, indicating a satisfactory short-term financial situation.

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rate by 1.5 points, bank officials said Monday.

nounced the decision in an interview published Monday by the Ivory Coast daily Fraternité Matin. saying the new rates would be "higher than rates in France." Offi-

# Seoul to Build 34 Power Units

For \$22 Billion SEOUL - South Korea plans to build 34 power plants, including five nuclear stations, by the year 2001 at a cost of 14.9 trillion won (\$21.8 bil-tion), the Energy Ministry said

The ministry's long-term power generation plan calls for the launch of one nuclear

plant every year from 1995 to 1999 to help meet growing demand for electricity. South Korea now operates eight nuclear plants and is building one for completion by September. "The fast pace of our economic growth resulted in the sharp rise in electricity use and we bave to increase generation capacity rapidly," a ministry spokesman said. Other plants to be built

from 1989 to 2001 will use liq-uefied natural gas, coal and hydroelectric power as energy sources, the spokesman said. Total power generation capacity is projected to rise 79 percent, to 35,725 megawatts from the present 19,944 megawatts. Nuclear power is to ac-count for 34.5 percent of South Korea's electricity generation by 2001, compared with the current 33.4 percent; coal is to be 35 percent, up

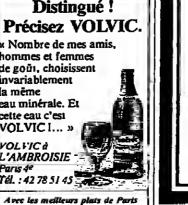
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The dollar closed here at 124.72 yen and 1.7725 Deutsche marks,

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## **BOOKS**

INDIAN GIVERS: How the Indians of the quick look at this exploited Indian, who gives an exhaust-Americas Transformed the World

By Jack Weatherford. 288 pages. \$17.95. Crown Publishers Inc., 225 Park Avenue South, New York, N. Y. 10003.

Reviewed by Tony Hillerman

OURTEEN essays form this unusual little book. A single theme links them, and each reinforces the -same thesis - that the native cultures of the Americas revolutionized world civilization and would have transformed it even more had American Indian knowledge not been ignored and then destroyed. While Jack Weatherford may sometimes follow the writer's prerogative of selecting the information that supports his position, he -makes a remarkable case.

Weatherford is a professor of anthropology at Macalester College in St. Paul, Minnesota, and he acknowledges financial assistance from the Kellogg, Joyce and "Bush foundations. As scholarly-scientific as all that sounds, there is none of the musty clumsiness here that · one expects from academic writing. Weatherford is trying to persuade the public, not to impress historians. He "ing to persuade the public, not to impress historians. He usually relies on a technique perfected by the Wall Street.

Journal in that paper's "leader" articles — pulling readers into complex subjects by making them personal. It also makes it a lively and interesting book.

In "Silver and Money Capitalism," for example, Weatherford gives us a day in the life of Rodrigo Cespedes, a Quechua Indian who works a seven-day week at one of the silver mines that hopescount Cerro Ricci in the Andes The

silver mines that honeycomb Cerro Rico in the Andes. The Time." He wrote this for the Los Angeles Times.

ing 12 hours for about a dollar, is dramatic. So are the economic statistics that follow. This peak produced 85 percent of the Andean silver that flooded Spain in the 16th century, and it made Potosi a city rivaling London and Paris in size. But Weatherford's pitimate point is that the huge supply of salver and gold produced by Indian miners increased the supply of precious metals available for comage in Europe eightfold by 1600. That made possible the development of capitalism and the beginnings of a sophisticated urban trading economy.

Weatherford moves from mining to an illustration of how efforts to exploit fur trapped by Canadian Indians led to development of the corporate structures that grew into a world trading system. He covers the contributions of New World Indians to the world's food supply effective farming methods as well as plant species that, beyond doubt, revolutionized world agriculture and provided more than half of what the world cats today. He explores what Indian knowledge added to the world's ability to cure its illnesses. He deals with what Indian America added to architecture and urban planning, to navigation and even to world political philosophy.

Weatherford is certainly right in his central thesis: that we have underrated and ignored the contributions of American Indians to the world's economy and culture. He is also right in his final argument: that we are losing our opportunity to benefit even more because we are allowing surviving Indian cultures to die away without learning what they still have to teach us.

Tony Hillerman's most recent book is "A Thief of

## **CHESS**

#### By Robert Byrne

ACCORDING to the folklore that has sprung up around the game, combinational tecticians are ill at ease facing positional players. But does anyone really know whether this is true?

Currently on the American scene one of the greatest combinational whizzes is the Queens, New York international master Michael Rohde and one of the greatest positional players is the Seattle, Oregon grandmaster Yasser Seirawan. But when they met in the 10th round of the . United States championship in Cambridge Springs, Pennsylvania, Rohde, far from being perturbed, won brilliantly and was awarded the prize for the most interesting combination for his effort.

A defensive system that invloves 7...Bg4 is open to the objection that a consistent subsequent exchange such as 10\_Bf3 11 Qf3 puts White in possession of the bishop-pair. As early as 14 Rfd1, White threat-

ened 15 Nc4 and 16 Nd6, thus virtually mandating the defense 14...b5.
Perhaps the best defense to 19 c4! was 19\_Rb8, although 20 cb cb 21 Nd5 Nd5 22 Rd5 Qc6 23 Qd3 would be extremely difficult for Black to meet. For example, 23. No5 24 Qc2, Rc8 25 Be7 wins a pawn.

Of course, 19\_b4 looked good in denying the white KB activity, but Rohde showed that that was an illusion to be exposed by his deeply thought out sacrifice 20 c5! Nh7 21

After 21...Ne5 22 Nd6 Qc7 23 Bc4, Scirawan should have tried 23...Ng. Scirawan should have tried 23...Ng. 24 Bg5 hg 25 Qe3 Ne6 26 Be6 fe because 27 Qg5 can be powerfully met by the pin with 27...Rd8. Whether Black's extra pawn would be sufficient to neutralize White's positional advantage after the correct 27 Nc4 would be a difficult question. Scirawan surely expected to re-pulse the attack with 23\_Na4? 24

Qb3 Nb6, but he had overlooked Rohde's fine combination with 25 Bf7! Rf7 26 Bd8! There was then nothing to do but capture with 26\_Qd8 and allow 27 Qf7 Kh8 28 Qb3, with the terrible threat of 29 Nr.7. The ultimate point of Rohde's

combination was that after 28...Ng5 29 Nf7 Nf7 30 Rd8 Nd8 31 Qb4, Black had to lose a knight. Thus, 31\_Nd7 is met by 32 Qd6 and 31\_Nc8 by 32 Qb8. In the queen-versus-two-minor

pieces end game, Rohde cut enemy resistance short by 38 f4!, forcing 38\_ef 39 gf, which produced a passed e4 pawn and undermined the knight at d4. After 41 Kh3, Rohde



Position after 24 . . . Nb6

was ready for 42 Qc6 followed by the decisive advance of his b2 pawn.



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## INFLATION: Hong Kong Fears Mounting Pressures as Chinese Prices Surge (Continued from first finance page)

their ability to contribute to Hong Kong's high growth

Analysts forecast that Hong Kong's gross domestic product will have grown by about 7.5 percent this year, down from 13.5 percent in 1987. By comparison, South Korea's gross national product growth rate is expected to remain near last year's 11.5 percent, while Singapore's rate is forecast at 10 percent in 1988, up from 8.8 percent

This is the third time in a decade that China has been forced to restrain economic growth; each time, Hong Kong has felt the pains of adjustment. Though they may not always be apparent in the territory's economic statistics, they have had a chilling effect on business mentality in this gateway city.

Ironically, the unprecedented number of joint venture projects authorized in 1988, including those with Hong Kong partners, may have contributed to the current inflationary spiral.

Through August, Chinese officials approved 3,085 projects representing about \$2.85 billion in new investment, 75 percent above the same 1987 period. Actual investment, at \$1.3 billion, was up 25 percent over the previous year. Chinese inflation, which ran at an annual 30.3 percent

for cities in November, and dwindling supplies of basic raw materials, are threatening the completion of a number of joint venture projects. In the last month, Chinese officials have spoken of plans to postpone or cancel a number of projects with foreign investors, some of which had already begun construction. China Daily, an English-language newspaper published in Beijing, reported that Guangzhou's Municipal

Capital Construction Inspection Group had canceled or postponed 43 previously approved construction projects, to which 900 million yuan (\$241.8 million) in investment had been committed. All were hotels, office buildings, or recreational pro-

jects; 13 were Sino-foreign joint venture tourist hotels. The newspaper did not say how much of the committed funds had been spent. Although this was the only official announcement of

joint venture cancellations in China, analysts here claim that Beijing's restrictive monetary policy has effectively placed dozens of other projects on hold. Investors have

had difficulty seconing lines of credit with Chinese banks to finance the local-currency portions of their projects. In other cases, projects have been postponed until the Chinese or foreign joint venture partners can obtain additional financing, sources said.

Beging can say quite truthfully that there is no directive delaying joint venture projects," said Mr. Cheng of Hongkong & Shanghai Bank. "But, in fact, China's tight credit policies have that very effect."

Hong Kong investors are unwilling to discuss the situation or its impact on the territory's economy. The issue is so sensitive that the press was barred from attending portions of a recent seminar at which foreign joint venture partners discussed their problems in China.

"The Hong Kong partners are in a very delicate situation," said one observer. "Some of them have been given a choice - either secure additional financing or face cancellation. No one wants to say anything that might endanger the future of his joint venture." Hotel projects are particularly vulnerable to this latest

round of ansterity measures, analysts said. Early in China's modernization drive, inadequate hotel accommodation put constraints on the amount of foreign exchange that could be earned from tourism. But officials overcompensated by approving the construction of dozens of new hotels, particularly in rapidly growing cities like Guangzhou and Beijing.

"China allocated its resources unwisely in the major cities," said Andrew Chow, managing director of Tian An China Investments, which has invested in several joint venture projects. "What Guangzhou needs is a new airport, better roads and additional power-generating facilities, not more hotels and office buildings."

Projects that are crucial to China's infrastructural development are unlikely to be postponed or canceled, but they are not exempt from the effects of inflation.

Gordon Wu, whose family-owned Hopewell Holdings is the joint venture partner in a superhighway that will link Hong Kong with Guangzhou, said building material costs are increasing at an alarming rate. The construction boom in southern China has quadrupled the price of cement to 400 year per ton since the beginning of the year, and Mr. Wu has been forced to revise his cost estimates for the project.

Hong Kong manufacturers with existing production facilities in China also face inflationary pressures, ac-

cording to Michael Ipson, executive director of Chemical Asia Ltd., a division of Chemical Bank.

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"Their budget estimates of labor costs and raw material prices are now out of date." Mr. Inson said. "An inflationary psychology has taken hold because Hong Kong businessmen are very sharp, and they will always antiprocess incorrects incorrect and they will always. anticipate increased costs."

The government is forecasting Hong Kong's 1938 inflation rate at 7.5 percent, but many analysis believe it could reach 8 percent, well above the 5.5 percent registered in 1987. According to official figures, consumer prices rose 7.6 percent in October after an 8.8 percent merease in Scotember.

The inflationary pressures that caused prices to climb 8.1 percent in the third quarter are still there," said Alan McLean, a government economist. "They have not abated. But I would argue that inflation in Hong Kong has little to do with inflation in China at the moment Edward Leung, chief economist for Standard Chir-

tered Bank, agreed. "Only to a small extent has inflation

m China begun to affect Hong Kong," he said. "The price increases we are seeing are partly amicipatory. They reflect the fear of further inflation to come." But economists at Hang Seng Bank, a Hongkong & Shanghai subsidiary, pointed out in their monthly newsletter for November that foodstuffs led the increase in

Hong Kong's consumer price index throughout 1982 and China supplied items account for about 35 percent of the foodstuffs' weighting within the index.

Moreover, because China's administration has become significantly decentralized and foreign trading compa-nies have assumed more direct financial responsibility. が (大変な ) (大変な domestic inflation will tend to filter into the export

market more rapidly than before, they noted. At the same time, rising costs for Chinese-manufactured products may puncture China's burgeoning trade with Taiwan and South Korea, most of which filters through Hong Kong as re-export trade. The pace of the re-export trade has risen by half this year, and economists now estimate that more than 40 percent of Hong Kong's total re-exports consist of goods passing through the territory into or out of China.

Given the increasingly symbiotic relationship between Hong Kong and China, Beijing's efforts to cool an overheated economy will be welcomed by the colony, though the cost of fighting inflation may mean slower growth rates for the next few years.

# Troubled Honeywell Looks Vulnerable

New York Times Service

CHICAGO — Four quarters of unexpected write-offs and a possible loss of over \$400 million for the year has badly shaken Wall Street's confidence in Honeywell Inc.

Honeywell's stock has fallen from \$76.25 a share in June to \$58.50 last Friday. And some analysts say the building controls and avionics company, whose annual sales are \$6.7 billion, has become vulnerable to raiders. "I'm sure there are companies out there figur-

ing that it would be much cheaper to buy Honcywell than to build its businesses themselves," said Kurt A. Rivard, an analyst at Dain Bosworth Inc. "Jim Renier is going to have to rebuild the credibility of Honeywell to prevent James J. Renier, 58, the company's chief exec-

utive, was given the additional post of chairman last week. He faces a daunting task, Last Tuesday, the Minneapolis-based company announced that it expected to take charges in the fourth quarter that could result in a net loss of

more than \$400 million for the year, in contrast to income of \$254 million in 1987. Many analysts had anticipated some write-

offs, but their size came as a surprise. Many of Honeywell's problems relate to its acquisition of the Sperry aerospace group from Unisys Corp. in 1986. Although the purchase

complemented Honeywell's existing avionics business and increased its military and aerospace business to nearly 50 percent of sales, from 29 percent, it burdened the company with severe cost overruns on some military contracts. In October, Honeywell filed suit against Un-

isys for \$350 million to try to recover some of these costs. Analysts said they doubted the company would receive much compensation from the suit.

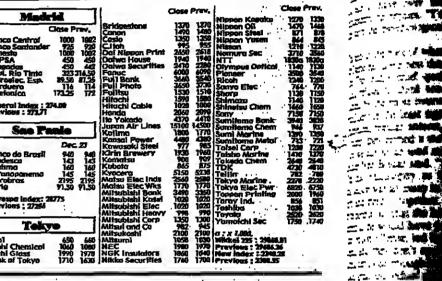
Some of the company's home-grown businesses have also stumbled. Operating profits in its military and marine systems unit, which produces weapons like antisubmarine torpedoes, declined in the third quarter, and its space and aviation systems business, which makes products like laser navigation systems, posted a loss.

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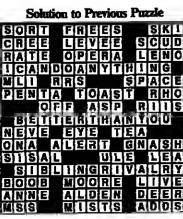
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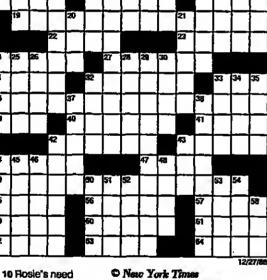
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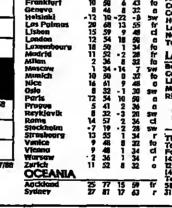
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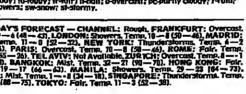
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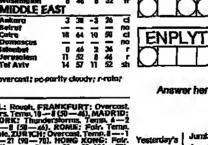
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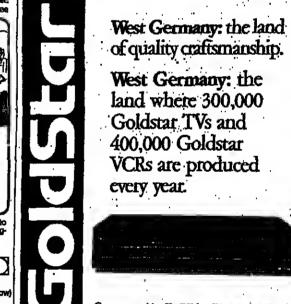






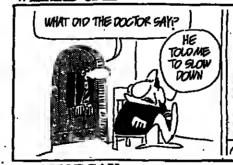
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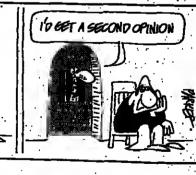




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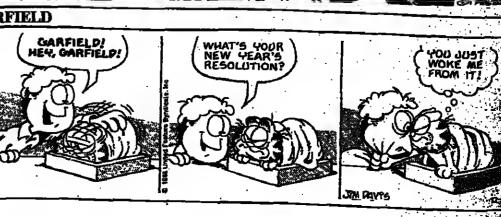


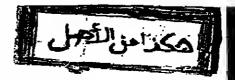


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## **SPORTS**

# A Case for Rating Notre Dame No. 1

Miami — go into the bowl games Jan. 2 with hopes of emerging as national champion. This article begins a three-part series on the

By Sally Jenkins Washington Post Service

WASHINGTON - Notre Dame's claim to No. 1 began as a forbidden whisper among players during last summer's sweltering workouts, made all the more miserable by the hectoring voice of Coach Lou Holtz telling them to forget it. It was too remote a chance, not just a matter of long hard labor, but also of caprice. "You don't win the national championship," Holtz says. "You just

wake up one morning and you're there."

The Fighting Irish have almost arrived, because the national championship is now theirs to lose when they meet No. 3 West Virginia in the Fiesta Bowl on Jan. 2. They are a team Holtz accurately calls "about as pretty as I am," yet they have beaten every opponent burief their stay from elegant they have beaten every opponent hurled their way, from elegant, then-No. 1 Miami in the sixth game of the season, to a hroad, deep Southern Cal that was No. 2 in the final game of the year. None remains save for the West Virginia Mountaineers, who, while 11-0, are not considered their

Close inspection of the Irish reveals no sign that could have foretold this season. The sum of its parts doesn't add up to the whole, so how did this laborious team become No. 1? "Who cares?" right end Derek Brown said. "We have to be No. 1 after the game for it to mean anything."

Certainly there are skeptics left who would dispute their claim. At Miami, it is said the Hurricanes were robbed in a 31-30 loss to the Irish that came hy just a missed two-point conversion. At USC, it is

remarked that perhaps the Trojans were worn out by a measles epidemic and their vehement crosstown rivalry with UCLA the week before, so the 27-10 score in Notre Dame's favor was not indicative.

Holtz not only has done nothing to dispel the murmured doubts, he has promoted them, "We've just got to go back and start all over," he sighed. "To call this team a favorite is not realistic."

Asked what kind of edge he would like to have over the Mountaineers, he replies, "I'd rather have the psychological

That gets to the root of what Notre Dame has done best this

season. The Irish's chief quality has been a mental fortitude, the steadfast refusal to think too much, and thus they have remained undaunted by the most overwhelming of games and avoided being overconfident in the least significant. Throughout their progress to an undefeated regular season, in which they had to knock off four bowl teams, they turned a stolid, cautious face to the public. "Sure, we can sit around and daydream about how we're No. I, linehacker Ned Bolcar said. "And get our butts kicked."

With that philosophy as the bonding material, Notre Dame's regular season was an essay in how to painstakingly build a team out of parts and meld it together. Holtz is not indulging in double talk when he points out that the Irish have deficiencies. They are just not as glaring as he would have you think.

Their option offense, led by quarterback Tony Rice, often can be plodding, and they don't appear to be a defensive juggernant; they just consistently do enough in all phases to make up the difference. If they lack great individual stars, they have a teamwide charisma.

They were only 36th in the country in total offense, averaging 388 yards a game, and Rice is a supposedly unreliable passer who threw for an unremarkable 130 yards per outing. But they were 11th in rushing, with three backs who have gained more than 600 yards, including Rice. They have the leading kick returner in the nation in Raghib Ismail, who as a flanker caught a 55-yard pass from Rice on the first play of the game against USC to dispel any foolish idea that the Irish aren't capable of striking quickly. End result: They scored

32.6 points a game, 15th best in the nation. Defensively, they were an upper-echelon team, but not overly impressive. They yielded 280.3 yards per game, ranked No. 13. But again the result is what counts, and in that category they were the third best anywhere, as they gave up only 12.3 points per game. A more subtle attribute was their ability to prevent the big play. They gave up just five runs and 16 passes of more than 20 yards, and no

opposing back rushed for 100 yards on them.

The Irish spent the early part of the season as a team to be wondered about, how good no one quite knew. The test came when Miami visited. The Irish had the home field. They had new, carefully cultivated depth, and a determined mind-set instilled by Holtz. The Hurricanes' inexperience caught up with them as they turned the ball over seven times and quarterback Steve Waish had a rare error-prope day, throwing three interceptions. The Hurricanes were in it until the

final seconds, but Walsh passed incomplete on a two-point try.

"Miami, that was the biggest hurdle in the season," Bolcar said.

"The big question was, could we beat Miami? Could anybody beat Miami? If you can't beat Miami, you can't win a national championship. We beat them. Then they started talking all that garbage about home field. But we could've beat them worse, and we'd beat them if

From there, the Irish had open road to undefeated until they met USC in the last game. The epic instead turned out to be the disappointment of the season, as Notre Dame ran roughshod over the Trojans, even without running back Tony Brooks and receiver Ricky Watters, suspended by Holtz for missing a dinner meeting. Their first play from scrimmage demonstrated that Holtz's bad

mouthing of his team was so much manipulation. Facing first and 10 from his 2-yard line. Rice was asked by assistants what play he wanted to run. He pointed on the game plan to a call that made them burst out laughing. They okayed it, and Rice trotted out to complete the bomb to Ismail.

All the while, the Irish would earn only terse congratulations from All the while, the Irish would earn only terse congratulations from Holtz, who would then change the subject immediately to next week's game. He railed at them in workouts to forget last week, and forget the ranking, and don't look ahead either. It was pure tunnel vision. "You can't overdo it," Brown said. "Almost every day in practice he would say something."

The Irish will continue to proceed this way, shrugging off doubts and disbelief, only to surprise everybody but themselves. That, above all, is the sign of a team secure within itself.

"This is not the most talented team in the world," Holtz said. "But I won't concede it's not a very very good team, either."

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## SIDELINES

## NHL's Rangers Trade Don Maloney

NEW YORK (AP) — The New York Rangers traded left wing Don Maloney, center Brian Lawton and defenseman Norm MacIver to the Hartford Whalers on Monday for center Carey Wilson and a fifth-round

Maloney, 30, has been with the Rangers for 10 years and has 195 career goals and 307 assists. With 502 points, he ranks eighth on New York's all-

time scoring list.

Elsewhere, the Chicago Blackhawks traded right wing Rick Vaive, their third-highest scorer last year, to the Buffalo Sabres for center Adam

## For the Record

Desert Orchid, one of England's most famous steeplechase horses, won the King George VI chase on Monday at Kempton Park, outside of London. It was the second victory in the chase for Desert Orchid, who was ridden by Simon Sherwood.

Mike Flanagan, the 37-year-old left-hander who led Toronto in starts and innings in 1988, has agreed to a two-year contract with the Blue Jays worth \$1.925 million. (AP)

The Soviet Sports Writers' Federation named swimmer Vladimir Salinkov as the Soviet Sportsman of the Year on Monday for his comeback performance in capturing the 1,500 meter freestyle gold medal

William & Mary plays a Japanese all-star football team on Jan. 8 and the Japanese are preparing just as an American opponent would — by watching films. "We have studied their videotapes and hope to win the bowl," the Japanese head coach, Mikio Shinotake of Nihon University.



Joey Browner, left, the Vikings safety, intercepts a Jim Everett pass in the first quarter Monday. The intended receiver was Willie Anderson of the Rams. The interception led to a Vikings' touchdown.

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The Associated Press

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COLLEGE BOWL GAMES

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Wide receiver Victor Wood

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Washington State scored all of its points in the second quarter.

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# Vikings Eliminate Rams: On Interceptions, 28-17

MINNEAPOLIS - Joey son. Browner's two first-quarter interceptions set up two touchdowns 21 econds apart that sent the Minnevictory over the Los Angeles Rams ending win over the Bears, com-Monday and into the quarterfinals of the NFL's Super Bowl derby.

And it was the offense that put Browner, the Vikings' All-Pro the strong safety, picked off Jun Ever-ett at the Minnesota 1 after Los half. Angeles had taken the opening kickoff to the Minnesota 25. That set up a 73-yard touchdown drive capped by a 7-yard TD run by Alfred Anderson, who also scored from a yard ont in the third period.

On the first play after the kick-off, Browner got his second, setting up Allen Rice's 17-yard TD bolt up the middle on the next play.

The victory was the second straight in the NFC wild-card game

for the Vikings, who were 11-5 in the regular season. It sends them to San Francisco for an NFC semifinal game next Sunday.

Philadelphia will play at Chicago next Saturday in the other NFC game, and Seattle will play at Cincinnati Saturday and Houston at Buffalo Sunday in the AFC.
The Rams, whose three straight

vins to end the regular season at 10-6 were the most by any playoff eam, threatened throughout the first half, but came out trailing 14-

In fact, the Rams were in Minnesota territory on five of their first nine possessions, but came away with just 10 points as the Minnesota defense came up with the big plays when it had to. Everett completed 19 of 44 for 247 yards, hut was just 8-for-22 for 84 yards in the first half, when the game was at

The defense was led by Browner, who also had a sack, and linebacker Ray Berry, subbing for the injured Jesse Solomon. He stopped Greg Bell on two plays from the 30 early in the second period and thwarted Henry Ellard on a reverse in the

Bell, who had 79 yards in the first half, was held to just 12 in the second, and Scott Studwell ended the last threat with an interception, the third hy a team that led the league with 36 in the regular sea-

Meanwhile, the offense overcame five sacks, three by linebacker Kevin Greene. Wade Wilson, lifted sota Vikings on their way to a 28-17 for Tommy Kramer in the season-And it was the offense that put

the game away with two long touchdown drives in the second The first went 84 yards in 14

plays following the second-half kickoff and was capped by Ander-son's 1-yard run. The second, 72 yards in nine plays, featured a 46-yard pass from Wilson to Anthony Carter and ended with a 2-yard pass from Wilson to backup tight end Carl Hilton.

It was the fifth catch of Hilton's three-year NFL career, all of them

Everett's 11-yard touchdown pass to Pete Holohan with 1:17 left ded the scoring.

**■ Oilers Gain Confidence** Gerald Eskenazi of The New York

Times reported:
The Houston Oilers emerged from their American Conference wild-card victory over the Cleveland Browns as a confident team that believes it can handle the formidable Buffalo Bills in Round 2 of the National Foothall League playoffs this weekend.

But there were none of the wild "On to the Super Bowl!" theatrics that marked Coach Jerry Gianville's demeanor last year when the Oilers also won a wild-card game, upsetting Seattle. The Oilers were then upended by the Denver Bron-

Glanville was almost sedate after Saturday's 24-23 victory at Cleveland. Still, he likes his little jokes.

As he changed in the locker room, he invited a visitor from New York to sit beside him. Glanville enjoys the exposure of the news media from big cities. It gives him a chance to tell how his team is unrecognized, how he suffers having to read how it can't win on the road, how it bothers him when people say his team is terrible playing on grass, or how the Oilers are

in cold weather. With one fine performance, the team erased the doubts. And now the Oilers face the Bills, who

He relishes the bad-guy image, which his club did nothing to dispel with its 13 penalties for 118 yards

dropped three of their last four

against Cleveland. Perhaps Glanville was giving the Bills something to think about when he said after the game, "This is the AFC Central Division, and it's pretty tough."

## LSU Player **Gunning for** Pistol Pete

New York Times Service

NEW YORK --- When the subject of gunners on the basketball court arises in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, only one name needs to be mentioned, Pistol Pete.

The skinny kid with the droopy socks, who averaged 44.2 points a game during his career at Louisiana State, is discussed with reverence. The name of the late Pete Maravich is popping up more these days be-

Chris Jackson, an LSU freshman from Gulfport, Mississippi, was bom after Maravich worked his wonders on the college courts from 1967 through 1970. That has not prevented Tiger fans from compar-ing the two sharpshooters.

Jackson, who was forced to be a walk-on at LSU because his mother tore up his original letter of intent to attend the college, has made a significant mark in the first seven games of his collegiate career

The 6-foot (1.83 meter) guard is averaging 30 points a game and is second in the National Collegiate Athletic Association in scoring.

Russell Grant, a teammate, recognized early that Jackson was a special player: "The first time he walked into the gym, I just watched him shoot around and I swear he had to hit 50 of 52 jump shots. Then he started reverse dunking He was jumping so high, I said. "This guy is unbelievable."

Florida players would agree, Jackson scored 53 points against the Seminoles on Dec. 10 to set a Division I record for freshmen and pace LSU to a 111-101 victory.

When he was a senior at Gulfport High School, Jackson was a local legend. He averaged 29.9 shot 54.8 percent from the field.

If he remains in school for four

years, Jackson could make a dash at Maravich's career record scoring total of 3,667 points. Maravich set the mark in three seasons.

## A 3-Point Record Knocks Off Iowa

United Press Internationa HONOLULU — Maurice Pullum scored 33 points and the University of California-Riverside used an NCAA-record 21 threepoint field goals Sunday night to upset Iowa 110-92 in the championship game of the Chaminade Christmas Classic, Iowa was un-beaten and ranked No. 4 in both news agency polls.

In other games at the tournament, St. Louis dumped Eastern Washington, 84-71, for third place, Miami (Florida) edged Old Do-minion, 77-76, for fifth place and Eastern Illinois routed Chaminade, 74-52, for seventh.

Cal-Riverside, an NCAA Division II team, made 21 of 36 threepoint tries to break the previous record of 12 set by Cal State-Sacra-mento, another Division II team, against Cal State-Hayward on Dec. 15, 1987. The Division 1 record is 17, set by Oklahoma.

Cal-Riverside, 9-1, led 50-46 at the half and hit three consecutive long-range shots after intermission to jump out to a 59-46 lead. -

Iowa, 10-1, went on an 11-0 run with 5:32 left to close within 90-82, but three-pointers by Pullum and Chris Jackson and a layup by Chris Ceballos helped the Highlanders move in front 98-84.

ESCORTS & GUIDES

Windward Passage II Leads on the Way to Hobart The favorite, Windward Passage II, right, tacked in front of the first marker Monday to win the start of the 44th annual Sydney-to-Hobart yacht race. Close behind was Ragamuffin, left, as they sailed through a spectator fleet in Sydney harbor. The yachts must cover 630 nautical miles in the Bass Strait and Tasman Sea. The record for the passage is 2 days, 14 hours, 36 minutes, set in 1975. INTERNATIONAL CLASSIFIED **ESCORTS & GUIDES** 

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MICHIGAN—Suspended Sean Higgins, is word, from baskerball team for three sow for breaking to breaking to the continuous rules. PACIFIC—Named Ted Lefond othletic rector, Noned Weit II. Harris toolbool cook RICHMOND—Dol Sheaty, football cook RICHMOND—Dol Sheaty, football cook of Fellowship of Christian Athlaies. RUTGERS—Anthony Duckett, center, in the aligibility restored.

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# Ware was held to eight comple-tions in 28 attempts for 44 yards before he was pulled. Eric Wilhelm completed a 24-yard touchdown pass to Kendal Smith with 25 seconds remaining, and Aaron Jenkins ran in the 2point conversion Sunday to give the Blue a 22-21 victory in the Blue-Gray game, United Press International reported from Montgomery, Alabama. Wilhelm, a quarterback from Oregon State, completed an 87-yard drive with his touchdown pass to the Washington State 5-yard line only to fumble the ball away with 2:44 remaining. Alipate hit wide receiver James Dixon, causing a furable which Artie Holmes recoverable which Artie Holmes recoverable which are Holmes recoverable. Jackson State's Lewis Tillman scored on runs of 2 and 4 yards and Tennessee's Jeff Francis hit Texas A&M's Rod Harris on an 8-yard

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## The Year That Was

WASHINGTON — So many events occurred in 1988 that Fortunately my files on the year are rain. in perfect order.

I guess the big story was Dan Quayle walking out on Robin Givens after she humiliated him on the "Wheel of Fortune." Rob-

in told show host Morton Downey, "Dan is no Mike Ty-

·This was two weeks after Tammy Bakker broke Jimmy

Swaggart's nose Buchwald when she threw a chair at him on "War and Remembrance." In sports, George Bush swam the Boston Harbor but failed to win an

Olympic Gold Medal because he was illegally nudged forward by two gray whales 100 yards from the finish line.

Winding up her eight years as two gray whales 100 yards from the finish line. Donald Trump bought the Pen-tagon. He immediately announced

Trump Military-Industrial Complex" and open it as a nursing home for tired lobbyists and defense con-

Imelda Marcos walked out on Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir after she complained that Shamir tore all the heels off her shoes in a rage. She told reporters, "He may know how to keep the West Bank, but he doesn't know how to keep a

Leona Helmsley announced that her life ambition was to decorate the inside of a Stealth bomber. "It needs the touch that only a queen could give," she said.

Mother Teresa beat Geraldo Rivera to a pulp after Geraldo de-manded that she tell the studio audience how much she had made in the movie, "The Last Temptation of Christ." Tapes of the fracas plus scenes from Rivera's most recent beatings were released to all three

#### A Florence Restoration

The Associated Press

FLORENCE - Restoration will begin in January on frescoes in the dome of the Florence cathedral, Repairs will take four to five years.

last spring when they heard that it's hard to keep them all straight. James Watt was praying for acid

> Wall Street ignored what was go-ing on in the rest of the world. RJR-Nabisco was bought by a syndicate of homeless people from Battery Park, New York. They paid a record \$34 billion for the company, the entire amount fundament by junk bonds they had found in trash cans in an alley next to Drexel Burnham

> headquarters. The National Rifle Association received a mortal blow when Yasser Arafat resigned from the organization as part of his deal with George Shultz. After turning in his ivory-handled, silver-plated machine gun, he said, "It's foolhardy to carry a loaded weapon around when there is always a chance of an accident,"

Donald Trump bought the Pen-tagon. He immediately announced that he would rename it the rower nor a lender be."

Ronald Reagan was anxious to know what he should do until his term ended and his astrologer said, "With your popularity at an all-time high, Mr. President, why don't you enter yourself in the Kentucky

Ollie North tried to get the judge to grant him a mistrial so that he could accept a job as an air traffic controller at Chicago's O'Hare Air-

Margaret Thatcher and General Noriega are pfftt! after she failed to get his atimony payments reduced by a Panamanian judge. During an independence day parade, Noriega explained the breakup to his na-tional guard by telling them, "I want women who keep their prom-

Despite all the vows she made Barbara Walters did not interview the man in the street during 1988. "I don't do men in the street," Miss Walters told Oprah Winfrey, who had lost 30 pounds on the show that morning.

Forget about Shirley Maclaine and Elvis Presley in 1989. While they are good friends now, Shirley said that the only man in her life is Leonardo da Vinci, with whom she lived hundreds of years ago after he became attracted to her smile.

# The Inspired Words Of an Obscure Poet — La Côte d'Azur

D ARIS - Just over 100 years ago, as the I winter nights began to lengthen in his château in Burgundy, a minor poet named Stephen Liegeard wrote a dedication of his latest work to Xavier Marmier, a minor writer, too, but a major mover in French literary politics.

In his flowery dedication, Liegeard ex-horted Marmier to flee winter's chills and to follow him on an imaginary voyage to the sunny and lemon-scented coast east of

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Hyères that he would describe in the many, many pages that followed. It was Libgeard's hope that this book would finally win him election to the Academie Francaise. It didn't, and what turned out to be immortal was neither the book por its author but its title, which remains the accepted name for the strip of land he described: "La Côte d'Azur."

The centenary of "La Côte d'Azur" has been celebrated over the last year, reaching its climax this winter with the publication of a book by Dominique Escribe on Lie-geard and his times: "La Côte d'Azur: Genèse d'un Mythe" (published by Gilbert Vitaloni and the Conseil Général des Alpes-Maritimes). Escribe says he had no easy time assembling the material, for despite his thirst for fame and his very long life (he died at 95), Liegeard remained irrevocably obscure.

He was born in 1830 into a well-off family whose holdings in Burgundy includ-ed some of the remarkable vineyards of Gevrey-Chambertin. Indeed, it was later said that one reason Liegeard consistently failed to be elected to the Academie Française was that he combined his electioneering visits with gifts of wine which the lemicians feared would cease if he were elected to their ranks.

If neither Escribe nor anyone else has been able to trace with certainty the etymology of Liegeard's title for his book, it is possible that he was inspired by his own birthplace in Burgundy, the Côte d'Or. (Jacques Médecin, the mayor of Nice, also suggests that as an ardent supporter of Napoléon III, Liégeard may have thought of the Empress Eugénie's name for the area around Biarritz, la Côte d'Argent). What-ever their origin, the words Côte d'Azur proved to be the most inspired, and enduring, that Liegeard ever wrote.

By profession Liegeard was a lawyer who hoped to become a prefect but never rose above the rank of sous-préfet de deuxième classe in Carpentras in Provence, where he met the writer Alphonse Daudet who later satirized him as the poetasting functionary,"Le sous-prefèt aux champs. Liegeard was also briefly a deputy and already wealthy, he married an heiress who inherited a villa at Cannes, Les Violettes, It adjoined the property of Lord Brougham, who had discovered Cannes in 1834 when trapped there by a cholera quarantine.

Liegeard wrote reams of verses and

smidebooks to Luchon, in the Pyrenees, and to Switzerland and northern Italy; he was a member of two literary academies in the provinces. He was also a president of the Society for the Encouragement of Good and a commander of the Légion d'Honneur. A fine-looking and companionable man who continued to wax his mustache and dress his hair in the rakish curls of the Second Empire, he survived into the roaring '20s and died in 1925 a few days after going to hear Marthe Chenal in
"La Fille de Madame Angor" at the Casino
Municipal of Cannes. A local newspaper
announced his death with the words, "the
godfather of the Côte d'Azur is dead." Until Liegeard renamed it, the area had been called the Riviers, a banal and anonymous name in French although still used in English. The book had an immediate suc-cess, winning Liegeard the Prix Bourdin of the Academie Française in April 1888. A second edition was printed in 1894 with a

as Liegeard well knew, had begun.
Foreigners had long been established on the coast (as early as 1787, 110 English families sojourned in Nice, mostly in a quarter known as Newborough). But the development of the railway changed life completely. When the first trains came to Cannes in 1863 there were more than 20,000 arrivals and departures in only two months. The same year Monte Carlo opened its casino: What had been the poorest state in Europe in 1850 was on its my to untold wealth.

significant change: While the first was al-

burn-sized, the second was small enough to

be used as a guidebook. The era of tourism

Before Liegeard, there had already been practical guidebooks to the coast. "La Côte d'Azur" is more an expression of a dream than a guide. His achievement was to make a random assortment of villages, some still borribly poor, all of them recently poor,



Stéphen Liégeard: Had more success as a designer and packager than as a poet.

into an attractive entity. Liegeard didn't discover the coast: Better than that, he

The book is nearly impossible to read because of its purple prose and chamber of commerce praise for nearly every centimeter of the coastline. The opening of his chapter on Cannes is a fair example: "Let others celebrate blond Menton,

languidly learning back on a rock garlanded in lemon trees; let voluptuous Nice, smil-ing behind her violet-perfumed fan, thrust upon the passerby the full intoxication of her pleasures! Without hesitation, we prefer Cannes."

He also had such nice things to say about the imperfect ruling family of Monaco that he was awarded the Order of St. Charles just after his book came out. Giving the casino, which was causing controversy and talk of suicides, only a few words, he refers to hard-working Monegasques and recom-mends the principality for its piety. He describes Saint-Tropez as perhaps it

really was: a place so pure, isolated and full

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of the joys of life that in its quiet coves the heart regress little and asks for nothing. Liegeard began the Côte d'Azur dream, a dream that, as hundreds of glossy real estate promoters will attest, money can buy. When the banal Riviera became the glamorous Côte d'Azor it became a marketable product, as the mayor of Cannes, Anne-Marie Dupuy, quite shamelessly stated last summer during the ceremonial fixing of a memorial plaque to Liegeard's

villa, Les Violettes.
"We know that things only exist when they have a name and we have learned that even with the best product it is the label and the packaging that counts," the mayor said. "In this respect it must be recognized that the Côte d'Azur 'sells' a lot better than it did

100 years ago when it was the Riviera."
Yes, it sells and resells. Les Violettes, for example, has been carved into apartments like most of the big villas, and it no longer looks straight down to the sea because a developer has put up yet another building

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Washington' Recrosses River as 12,000 Watch

Some of the 12,000 spectators shouted "Go get 'em, George!" as the flotilla of boats crossed the Delaware River to reenact George Washington's famed Christmas crossing. The crowd offered an enthusiastic contrast to the stately James Gallagher, who portrayed the "father of his country" with his white wig and three-cornered hat and red and blue cape fluttering in the wind. Wearing a colonial uniform of blue and buff, Gallagher stood erect in a 40-foot boat in Sunday's annual commemoration of the Revolutionary War general's crossing. Washington, in darkness and during a storm, crossed the river with 2,400 troops, 200 horses and 18 cannon to surprise Britishhired Hessian soldiers in 1776 for a victory in Trenton that some consider a turning point in the war for American independence. Washington took more than nine hours to get his men and equipment across. Gallagher went across with 120 men in four boats in 25 minutes.

An Iowa businessman gathering names of Americans for display on a giant greeting card he plans to send to Soviet President Mikhail Gorbachev is going on the road for this week's final push. James Lawlor has gathered 50,000 names since he came up with the idea Dec. I, well short of his goal of two million. The greeting card will be flown to the Soviet Union on Saturday. **1**3

Michael Jackson whided and twirled for two hours for a packed stadium of about 50,000 fans Mon-day in Tokyo. The concert was the last of his world tour that began in Tokyo 14 months ago and took the singer to four continues. In August, Jackson's personal manager Frank Dileo said, "This is probably the last time Michael will be on tour." He said Jackson, 30, would go on "to do movies and other things." Jackson's staff in Tokyo would not comment on his possible retirement from the live stage.

Two museum employees of the Historic Transportation Center in Cloverdale, British Columbia, went for a spin in John Lemmas 1960sera limousine and found a canister of film stashed under the passenger's seat. The 30-minute film that shows a man playing a piano was described as outtakes, shot possibly in Boston in the 1960s.

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